

MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE PTO COUNCIL FOR
GLENRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Thursday, March 11, 2021

A meeting of the PTO Council for Glenridge Elementary School was held, as scheduled pursuant to due notice on Thursday March 11, at 2:00pm CST via zoom conference.

The following members of the Board were present at the meeting: Joanna Dinsmore, Co-President; Lilly Scharff, Co-President; Lynn Courter, Vice-President; Mary Bower, Treasurer; Leslie Hamel, Secretary; Denise Stouffer, Teacher-Representative; Beth Scott, Principal.

The following ex-Officio Advisors and members were present: Emily Zhou

Principal's Report: Beth Scott

4th quarter will have minimum changes - 11 students are returning to in-person learning. We are maintaining 3-6 feet distance between students. Many teachers have already been vaccinated for the first-dose. Teachers have been approved state-wide for mass vaccination beginning March 15.

Elementary principals have been working together to brainstorm incoming Kindergarten activities, including video tours for new families.

Glenridge will host Field Day activities - no parent volunteers this year. PE teachers will be preparing plans for that day. Grades 3-5 in part of the day, and K-2 participate in another part of the day.

5th Grade promotion will include a streamed event, and will allow K-4 students to participate outdoors to wave to 5th graders in decorated cars with families for a car parade around the block.

Parent surveys will be sent to parents for next year's class placements. Next year school begins on August 23. Placement announcements will be mailed around August 1 this year (rather than early June).

Mrs. Horn will loop up to the 5th grade team for this coming year as an extra teacher is needed for this grade level.

Teacher Representative Report: Denise Stouffer

Question about extra masks leftover - possibility of donating.

PTO Council Update: Susan Kronemer

No update today.

Presidents' Report: Joanna Dinsmore & Lilly Scharff

Joanna Dinsmore will take over as communications director for next year.

Vice-President's Report: Lynn Courter

Lynn will take-over as co-president for the coming school year. Still looking for classroom liaisons for K, 1, 2 and 4. We need a 5th grade fund-raising chair. We need someone for Hispanic heritage position. We need someone for the art-room coordinator position.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Bower

(See Treasurer's statements.)

\$500 towards Black History month masks. \$750 towards teacher-appreciation gifts.

Playground/Turf Field Project, Expenditures: \$15,000 was raised by PTO to go towards turf and playground funds. Those funds can go towards additional equipment such as soccer goals, basketball backboards, shade sails, re-imagine outdoor shed for gross motor equipment, etc.

Past & Current Events:

Black History Month Activities & Masks:

Upcoming Events:

Return of Unused School Supplies for Teachers or Donations? - Denise & Beth will get more information from teachers.

Teachers Last Day Appreciation Lunch: Teachers last day will be June 4, and we typically plan a special appreciation lunch or breakfast. Plan for box lunches for social distance issues.

The next PTO meeting will be on Friday, April 23, 2021 at 2:00pm CST via zoom conference.

Conclusion

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

_____ Leslie Hamel, PTO Secretary