

## **Frost MS PTA: Meeting Minutes**

**Date: March 1, 2022**

**Virtual**

**Secretary: Susanne Fitch**

**Meeting called to order: 7:32 PM**

**Present:** Pam Edwards, Allison Pugsley, Susanne Fitch, Julie Minde, Karen Dixon, David Lee, Gloria Totten, Jennifer Zabel, Kenya Champ

### **Welcome: PTA President (Allison Pugsley)**

- Ms. Pugsley welcomed Frost parents and staff.

### **1. President's Report: PTA President (Allison Pugsley)**

- Ms. Pugsley reported on the PTA's Read-A-Thon fundraiser, which has just ended. The reading portion ended yesterday. Currently there are over \$13,000 in pledges. All students are encouraged to enter the number of minutes they spent reading so that outstanding pledges can be paid. Ms. Pugsley thanked Julie Minde for coordinating the Read-A-Thon.
- The next PTA event is Bingo Night, schedule for April 21, 7:00-9:00 PM.
- Plans are in the works for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration. The date will be determined based on the school's renovation schedule.
- Plans for a spring photography fundraiser have fallen through because the photographer is unavailable. Ms. Pugsley requested leads on alternative photographers.
- Currently there are no candidates for the nominating committee tasked with identifying board candidates for the 2022-23 school year. All board positions will be vacant at the end of the 2021-22 school year.
- Ms. Pugsley shared a Virginia PTA form, the Local Unit Organizational Structure Form, which must be approved by the membership. There was a move to approve the form, which was seconded, and the form was approved by the membership.

### **2. Principal's Report: Frost MS Vice Principal (Kenya Champ)**

- Today was the first day of optional masking in FCPS. Mr. Harris delivered a message to staff and students this morning explaining that mask-wearing is an individual decision, and each person's choice must be respected by all. He also reviewed behavioral expectations as the second half of the year is well underway and students will soon transition to a new grade. Mr. Harris also went over cell phone policies with the students.
- There have been some complaints regarding an odor from the tar that is being used in the renovation. Ms. Champ explained that an additive will be used to try to minimize the smell the next time tar is applied.
- Ms. Champ reminded the membership of upcoming student holidays and teacher workdays.

### **3. Vice President's Report: PTA Vice President (Pam Edwards)**

- Ms. Edwards thanked everyone who attended or helped with the Frost Family Festival for rising 7<sup>th</sup> graders, which was held on February 16<sup>th</sup>. The PTA raised almost \$700.
- Spirit wear sales are ongoing via Squad Locker. There has been growing interest in smaller items such as magnets and lanyards. Magnets are now available on PT Board, and lanyards will be available soon.
- Ms. Edwards reported that six applications were received for the PTA spring grant program. The membership reviewed summaries of the grant applications. If all six applications are approved, the program will be nearly \$400 over budget. There was a motion to approve all applications and to provide the additional required funding, which was seconded. The membership voted in favor of the applications and the additional required funding.

#### **4. Treasurer's Report: PTA Treasurer (David Lee)**

Mr. Lee reviewed PTA finances for the membership.

#### **5. Approval of PTA Meeting Minutes**

The minutes from the February meeting were reviewed and approved by the membership.

#### **6. Featured Presentation**

Susanne Fitch introduced the evening's featured speakers.

**"When Should I Worry About My Teen's Behavior?"**

##### **Guest Speakers:**

Dr. Jennifer Zabel, Licensed School Psychologist

Ms. Leyla Babaturk, School Psychology Intern

#### **7. Around the Table: Discussion, Suggestions and Questions**

- Gloria Totten described some of the many prizes that will be offered at Bingo Night, including a Nintendo Switch. Many of the prizes are left from 2020, when Bingo Night was canceled due to the pandemic.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.**

**Next PTA Meeting: TBD**