**PTA Minutes**

*Spring Glen PTA General Membership Meeting*

Wednesday March 18, 2021

Held via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 7:07 by Courtney Connors

*In attendance*

Board members present: Courtney Connors, President; Steve Curtis, Vice President; Elizabeth Williams, Vice President; Misha Serfillippi, VP Fundraising; Cara McDonough, Secretary

Absent: Steve Curtis, VP

**Welcome – Courtney Connors**

* Began the meeting with a moment of silence for Christy Czekaj, who passed away. Christy was a PTA officer for many years and did countless things for the school and community.

**Call for a motion to accept minutes of last PTA meeting and communication of correspondence** - Jon Farrar. Tim Trama seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Principal’s Report – Principal Howard Hornreich**

* Principal Hornreich added his thoughts about Christy and the enormous positive impact she had on our school.
* Discussion of returning to 5-days-a-week instruction for all students after spring break.
* Discussion about school improvement plan around equity.
* Hamden legislature holding budget hearing and parents are encouraged to write in to express their opinion.
* Tim Trama shared information on upcoming Art Night, which will be held Friday, April 30 from 6:30-8:30 over Zoom. There will be supply bags that will go home with children, as well as door prizes.

**Health & Welfare**– Courtney Connors

**Treasurer's report –** Jon Farrar

* Fundraising continues to be less robust than in previous years, due to coronavirus and associated regulations.

**Reports of standing committees**

*Membership*

*Fundraising – Misha Serfillippi*

* Discussion of a potential plant sale as fundraiser in the spring.

*Diversity & Inclusion*

* The SPG group had their first meeting with the members of the D&I committee with the school to discuss projects they can work on together.
* Sent out March newsletter.

*Outdoor Committee - Elizabeth Williams and Steve Curtis*

*Communications Committee – Cara McDonough and Steve Curtis*

* Continuing to share information with the school community via social media and thinking about subjects for a possible final webinar.

*5K*

* There is a course and sign up for the virtual 5K, which runs from April 24-May 2.
* Ms. Huston joining the committee and starting virtual running club at school.
* Need for additional sponsors.

*Yearbook – Cat Balco*

* There is a contract with Lifetouch for this year’s yearbook.
* Members would like distance learning families to join the yearbook committee.

**Old business**

* Reading challenge kicked off. Prizes will be awarded for children who participate.

**New Business**

*Reading Challenge – Elizabeth Williams*

* Has a committee of parents and teachers who have been incredibly helpful in planning.
* Want this to be an event that parents can get involved with and have it become a community-building initiative.

*Yearbook Committee*

* The PTA is looking to form a yearbook committee, encourages members to reach out if interested.

**Good of the order**

**Announcement of next meeting –** Wednesday, April 21 at 7 pm.

**Request motion to adjourn –** Jon Farrar. Tim Trama seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Cara McDonough, Secretary*