

Jefferson PTA September 2020 Minutes

Location: Zoom

Attendance

Kristy Menke
Carla Sumka
Abby DeCarlo
Erin Van Derven
Amber Stroud
Jennifer Schultz
Bo Buchman
Megan Adams
Melissa Koch
Katie Kerns
Dawn Shipley
Rebecca Schlei

- I. Greeting, call to order at 6:04pm, and roll call
- II. Principal's Report
 - A. Thank you for a smooth start to the year, lanyards, masks, and gift bags.
 - B. Thank you to families for their understanding during this time.
- III. Teacher's Report
- IV. President's Report
 - A. No room parents this year, replacing with Adopt a Teacher
 1. Staff will create wish lists on Amazon.
 2. Amber will collect lists in order to create a spreadsheet and then families can "adopt a teacher" via a sign up.
 3. We would like for all teachers to feel included and make it equitable for all staff.
 4. Lists can select Amazon smilies and have Jefferson as the selection to help raise funds for our PTA programs.
 5. We want to keep in mind how we can include all families especially ones not on social media.
 - B. Cancelled events- budget meeting this summer to use funds for teachers
 - C. PTA dues paid via Member Hub:
<https://jeffersonwauwatosa.new.memberhub.store/store>
 1. This is an online way to pay and will be included in the Friday newsletter Mrs. Schultz will send out.
 - D. Treasurer's Report
 1. We moved funds this summer from cancelled events and used \$999.86 for masks, staff gift bags, and lanyards.

2. As of 9/10 we earned \$21.30 from Amazon Smilies.

V. Committees

A. Safe Routes to School

1. Erin will be in contact to see how this program will work during covid.
2. How can we involve full virtual families in all our programs this school year.

B. Community Service Day

1. Megan White will be working with Ms. Moore to brainstorm possible ideas to replace usual events which cannot happen due to Covid.

C. Teacher Appreciation

1. Our goal is to do small monthly things for the staff. We have to be creative this year. Maybe staff shout outs of appreciation, small treats, and thinking of take and go ideas too. Please reach out to Kristy Menke if anyone has any creative ideas.
2. We filled the staff lounge with drinks for the month of September.

D. Spirit Wear

1. We have a stock of t-shirts available in pink, blue, gray, and multiple varieties of tie-dye! Prices are \$10-\$18. If you're interested in purchasing, contact Bo Buchman at bobuchman@gmail.com
2. We will send home another flyer in folders and via email

E. Hospitality & Fundraising

1. *Saz's Back to School Fundraiser is 9/23 from 11am-8:00pm. 15% of the total bill (indoor, outdoor seating and carry-out available) will be donated back to Jefferson! Please mention "JEFFERSON FUNDRAISER" when you order online or to your server. Pass it on to your family, neighbors, and friends!
2. We hope to continue doing these community fundraisers throughout the year, even in these uncertain times. Suggestions welcome!!
3. Also exploring grocery store give-back days at Metcalfe's and Sendik's
4. Revisit Colectivo Day?? (we can do two per calendar year)

F. Variety Show

1. Scheduled for Friday, March 5th
2. How can we make this event still happen? Virtual?

G. Kindness

1. Food Pantry
2. Clothing Drive? Since we don't want students using shared clothing, Ms. Moore will see what we have and report to PTA to see what is in need,
3. Washer and dryer is something we still would like to pursue but holding off for now.

H. High Interest Day

1. This will have to be a virtual event most likely.
- I. Grounds Committee
 1. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14th SCHOOL FALL CLEAN-UP. An event will be added online and in the newsletter with details (time and meet up location).
 2. Anyone interested in joining the committee, please email August Hoppe at augusthoppe@gmail.com
- J. Auction
 1. How will this even look like during Covid?
 2. Can we look into doing an online event similar to St. Judes?
- VI. New Business
 - A. We discussed having a family member from each grade or class that can help other families with technology questions to help teachers with the amount of emails they receive about canvas and other technology issues.
 - B. Can we have a group that is part of the Jefferson FB page for questions for technology?
 - C. Katie Kerns will help assist getting this idea going

Announcements: Next PTA meeting is Thursday, October 8th, 2020, from 6-7:30

Meeting adjourned at 7:17pm