

Kurtz PTA General Membership Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2017 9:30am

Meeting called to order at 9:34am

Old Business:

- Approval of March minutes: Motion to approve by Kristi Stempien and second by Mr Chisik. Motion carried.

New Business:

- Auction - maybe a family fun night with baskets. If we can switch the focus to the Fun Run that would be great.
- PTA wants to pay for the student planners.
- Fun Run - There will be flyers going home to parents. We will need volunteers the day of the event to throw color at the kids. Need help for two weeks with the money collection and counting/tallying daily for prizes etc. Jen Kennedy recommended letting kids know that there will be a separate area for those that don't or can't have color on them. We would like 100% participation. We will have a pack of shirts for those that don't have one. Cleanup is important for buses etc. Maybe a separate change of clothes? We can have bags for the clothes to go home in. We might borrow bottles from another school to squeeze the powder on the kids. There will be a sign-up-genius for parents to volunteer. Each day they will be collecting money so teachers aren't holding on to it.

Chisik Chat:

- Multiple testing windows are open right now. Logistically we are doing great with the mice and Chrome carts that were donated.
- NWEA is a great tool to make sure the kids are getting what they need academically. It gives teachers a lot of data.
- We have snacks for M-STEP. Mr. Chisik would like PTA to cover the snacks.
- We've had over 100 days for Watch Dog. It is going amazingly well. We are planning a lunch during field day for the Watch Dogs and volunteers.
- Student Profies requests went out in newsletter. It is your chance to get a perspective on your child and ideas or things you want considered for placement.
- Lots of movement and possible looping of teachers next year.
- Changes with CI program coming to our building. 26th at 5pm is CI welcome meeting. Very informal.
- Preschool program is staying at Kurtz.
- Junior Kindergarten will not be at Kurtz.
- Mr. Phillips, Mr. Mahler and Mrs. Klein went with Mr. Chisik to the MACUL conference (Michigan Assoc. for Computer Users in Learning) - He has new conceptualization of computer lab. Make it more of a hands-on experience. Starting next year there is less wellness and more computer lab. He would love to have a 3-D printer. Technology integration is a big part of learning. This year was the 2nd year of having additional time for computer lab teacher to meet in classes and show teachers how to use things.
- Mr. Chisik will share the results from the survey.

PTA Board Nominations:

President - Jennifer Cashin

VP - Amy Wilson

Treasurer - Wendy Adcock

Recording Secretary - Kristen Jarvis

Meeting adjourned at 10:38am.