

MINUTES

Louisa May Alcott Elementary PTA Minutes September 17th, 2020

The Meeting was called to order by Kelly Mattingly at 4:33p.m

In attendance Kelly Mattingly, President; Famina Mildh, Vice President; Alisha Powell, Michelle Riley; Principal, Sherry Schneider, Treasurer; Heather Stojilkovic, Historian, Melissa Rivera, Hospitality; Mo Martin, Tammy Payton

Approval of Minutes The meeting Motion- Alisha Second- Femina approved as read

Approval of new budget Motion- Kelly Mattingly Second- Sherry Schneider

Distance Learning Updates:

- **Arts for learning** - Might be too overwhelming for the teachers to add. Program is pretty expensive, and might not be worth it. Going to continue to search for other options.
- **Mini Grants**- Email was sent for an option for the teachers to have bigger monitors. Possibly look into getting teacher a cord to hook their computers up to a TV to have a bigger screen option (cheaper). Mrs. Riley will text the teachers to see who all would like a new bigger monitor, or a reimbursement up to \$100. Maybe consider a document camera as another option.
- **Events** - No arts for learning. Drive-up Bingo - Kelly will get things in motion for it. Virtual Read a Thon - Parents could volunteer to read to the class. Maybe look into setting up something at the drive-in.
- **Book Fair** - Nov 6th-13th? Only cases out door fair? If we do that where would we set it up? Extend the book fair to 2-3 weeks longer instead a week. Nov 6th- Dec 7th. Need to promote it well.
- **Halloween Costume Contest**- Each class gets to vote? One winner per class or more? Just a few winners for the whole school? Possible prizes eGift Card?

Volunteer Hours - Heather collected volunteer data from board members. 27 hours total.

Newsletter- Kids cooking corner, kids resources, send photos of the kids doing virtual learning who consent.

Membership- Put on Marque still. Still continue to try, and get membership up.

Principals Report

- Communicated with the teachers by calling them individually instead of another zoom meeting.
- Teachers having some technical difficulties still.
- Attendance has been fantastic, and it at %95.

- New students continue to enroll.
- Still not sure about how our district is going to handle returning to school in person.

Presidents Report

- **Masks**- Alcott owls themed masks are a yes
- **Large Monitors**- Teachers can choose a new bigger monitor, or a reimbursement up to \$100
- **Take out Fundraisers**- Looking at Blazes Pizza. Still reaching out for other options for Oct and Nov.
- **Bank Statements**- Were reviewed by Sherry and Crystal

Open Table- N/A

Meeting adjourned at 5:55pm