

Chippewa Parent Group PTO Meeting Minutes Dec 10, 2021

Attended by: Liliana Ortiz, Hong Trebesh, Soumya Madala, Karen Shapiro, Kristin Arnett, Liz Luyendyk, Rey Del Rio, Uzayr Hassan.

Meeting start time: 8:30 am.

Minutes from November 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved by Kristin Arnett. They were sent to Melissa Schoenl to be posted to the website.

CPG Parent group activity update:

- Holiday teacher and staff gift card program coordinated by CPG will run until December 14th at 3 pm. Will ask school to send a separate email about this activity to families.
- Due to the pandemic, the Holiday Winter party (cookies decorating party) is not planned.

DPC Report: Provided by Kristen Arnett and Karen Shapiro.

- District is adding a Nurse to help with contact tracing.
- District Mascot name search has been narrowed down. Colors will remain the same.
- Steering committee to look at the upcoming bond is looking for members.
- Masking requirements: masks needed for away games.
- At school games and practices, use of mask vs. swabbing for rapid test.
- New athletic director has been appointed, Tempe Brown.
- Schools are looking at the learning trends.
- Dr. Slee, Diversity and Equity Director has been sharing resources with teachers so they can include resources about different holidays they can incorporate into their curriculum.
- Faith Lutheran Church test to stay in school clinic operates from 7 am to 9 am.

Treasurer Report:

- Minimal bank activity to report.
- Check was reissued for the OEF banquet.
- In the past CPG provided money for the 7th and 8th grade field trips (\$5000+ in past years). CPG not aware of current financial needs for the offering planned for "field day style activities" to replace the camp in February 2022.

General discussion:

- Families felt since students have missed out on multiple socializing activities, that we should consider a DJ styled outdoor event for 7th and 8th graders in spring. This should likely be separate from the Chippewa walk run.
- MSTEP reports were not received with the report cards as previously discussed. Fastbridge scores came along with the report card.
- Has there been an increase in fights at Chippewa? A concern raised by a parent in attendance.

Principal's Update: Jody was not available at the meeting. But commented on the questions discussed by the group to Liliana Ortiz.

- M-STEP results were available at the school and she will look into why they weren't mailed out with the report cards.
- School has been checking to make sure students are not missing the Buses with the no backpack policy and needing to return to their lockers. "So far so good."
- There has been no increase in fights at school.

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- Level of student anxiety improved compared to last week (week of Oxford shooting and CMS threat).
- Fun activities are being planned for school “base day” before Winter recess.
- Jody was in agreement to doing two separate events, one is the Chippewa fundraiser walk and the outdoor party for kids in Spring.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 am.