

**mountain view elementary pta
membership meeting**

13 august 2020, 6:30pm
microsoft teams meeting

members present:

president: cynthia valentine
vice president: tammy truax
secretary: jamie horspool
treasurer: connie stewart

diana cameron, angela roberts, jill hooper, amanda boulet, janet barr, gonglachs, carrie martinez, crystal birnbaum, kristal kupferman, jamie kulp, erin, young white, sandy, sara tisdale, am, andrea, steve s., crystal shaw, owen li, kelly george, stacie taylor, rachel rollins

members absent:

meeting called to order at: by jill hooper at 6:30

- I. introduction:
 - A. mute microphones
 - B. welcome all!!!
- II. pta board nominations and election
 - A. thank you so much to dan for all his countless hours as treasurer. pta board nominations.
 - B. connie stewart nominated for treasurer 20-21 school year by cynthia valentine
 - C. seconded by tammy truax
 - D. all approved through teams chat
- III. president's report:
 - A. teacher appreciation was wonderful. thank you to all who worked with it
 - B. this meeting is set up to figure how to pta during this time and what can we do this year to help mve
 1. how can we support each other, community, school
- IV. treasurer's report:
 - A. new treasurer, will get together with cynthia to come up with a budget for this next year
 1. unclear how this budget will look year without doing the normal activities
- V. principal's report:
 - A. missing face to face time with everyone
 - B. town hall meetings were greatly attended
 - C. missed town hall meeting
 1. both meetings were recorded, go back and watch
 - D. teachers getting ready for school
 1. lots of questions about how to help kids the best this year with all these new systems in place
 2. soft start week?
 - a) grace for teachers and principal... thank you.
 - b) finalizing class lists and teachers will reach out when they are
 - E. setting sail with confidence (theme for the year)
 1. flexibility

- 2. trim our sails
- F. positions posted for classroom and para professionals that need filling soon
- G. possible family for support for tech (schoolology)... parent resource for those who need help navigating
- H. excited from the new year.

VI. pta introductions

- A. cynthia
- B. jamie
- C. tammy

VII. teacher's report:

- A. becki looking for hoodies
- B. janet appreciates the support of the pta

VIII. pta purpose (tammy):

- A. thanks for setting up virtual stuff
- B. mission for this year... what are we here for?
- C. national pta mission
 - 1. every child, one voice
 - 2. engage and empower
 - 3. all children
 - a) whether they are in school or not
- D. mve pta mission
 - 1. To embrace every child and build their potential through trusting and sustainable relationships with educators and families; connect and engage the Greater Colorado Springs community to advocate for the education and safety of every child.
 - 2. match this with national mission, but personalize to our school
- E. focus this year
 - 1. safety

IX. membership:

- A. membership expires every year
- B. membership campaign
- C. ideas/thoughts?
- D. traditionally, back to school bash
 - 1. won't happen this year
- E. online campaign
 - 1. online payments and applications
 - 2. connie will look into
 - 3. memberhub - seems like the best way to go
 - a) you can do membership and have an online store
 - 4. payment via square link
 - 5. online document signing sites
 - a) docusign

X. spirit wear:

- A. closet full of spirit wear
 - 1. work to figure out logistics
- B. add masks???
 - 1. 100 identical mask... could be an issue

XI. outdoor classroom:

- A. not utilized so far...

- B. can we use it to get the kids out of their classrooms more???
- C. first pta project
 - 1. spruced up by pta
 - 2. school will manage sign ups
- D. perfect to manage a class, social distance, masks off
- E. supplies
 - 1. soap and water
 - 2. sanitizing area
- F. contacted emily jorgensen about how to make this happen
 - 1. volunteers needed
 - 2. ants
 - 3. rocks used as seats that have been moved...
 - a) set up socially distant
 - 4. weeds
 - 5. plant boxes need fertilizer
 - a) what do we do with the boxed
 - 6. benches, stage need staining
- G. jill will work on weeds, ants, etc with building manager
- H. amanda - temporary tent with tables and chairs for another classroom
 - 1. lets see how much the outdoor classroom will be utilized before we do something else
- I. volunteers
 - 1. allison
 - 2. erin personius (and family)
 - 3. kelly george

XII. plans for the year:

- A. helping parents with tech
 - 1. facebook page
 - 2. parent network to help with problem solving
 - a) maybe by grade??
 - b) room parent for tech purposes??
 - 3. use schoology platform for troubleshooting
 - a) moderator?
 - 4. how do we get this out there???
 - a) jill/rachel help to get teachers on board
 - b) janet will send a teachers tomorrow

XIII. other business

- A. cleaning shared spaces between cohorts
 - 1. outdoor classroom
 - a) trunk to store supplies
- B. what can we expect with large group events
 - 1. not possible right now
 - 2. how do we make this fun for kids virtually
 - 3. no fall festival
- C. amanda- lack of volunteers in school due to restrictions
 - 1. remotely assist?
 - 2. how do we stay connected?
 - 3. jill - open to ideas
 - 4. as teachers hear things, let us know how we can help, thats the only way we'll know anything
- D. beach towels....

1. naturally 6 feet
 2. how can we fund this?
 3. number of students?
 4. kristal - fundraiser to support them
 - a) ask people to sponsor the towels by buying one or many
 5. vote to responsibly purchase beach towels
 6. who would wash the towels?
 7. towel connections/mve logo... who can look into?
 8. do all teachers really want this?
 - a) janet will survey teachers
- E. drive thru event?
1. ice cream social
 - a) kona ice?
 2. worth the effort?
 3. we'll think about it
 4. good way to make the journey k8 stay connected

XIV.reminders:

- A. pta meetings - second tuesday 6:30pm
 1. 08 september 2020, 6:30pm
- B. mvac - second tuesday 5:30pm
 1. purpose to provide recommendations and feedback to school
 - a) specifically school budget
 - b) parent chair/co-chair
 - c) district accountability rep
 - d) connection between processes at district and processes at school
 - (1) align things important things with budget
 - (2) using finances in a way that are important to mve
 2. meet 6 times a year
 3. email jill if you want to be involved on any level

meeting adjourned at: by cynthia valentine at 7:29pm

minutes prepared by jamie horspool