

LINCOLN PTA MEETING

GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: 10/4/21 Called to Order at 6:00

Secretary: Valerie Lentz

Board Members In Attendance

Principal Mr. Hartman, Vice Principal Mrs. Pacholski, President Vanessa Sula, 2nd VP Melissa Savage, Treasurer Amy Nowak, Secretary Valerie Lentz, 1st VP Kandice LaGiglia

Others in attendance: in person - 6 via zoom - 12

Total attendance: 25

Minutes taken along with slide presentation titled "10/4 - PTA General Meeting"

Screen #1 - introduction

Screen #2 - Call to order

Need to approve minutes from September. Phillip motion to approve September minutes, Kristin second. 0 nays, 0 abstained. Motion Passed

Screen #3 - Read mission of the PTA

Screen #4 - Intro to board member reports - need minutes from last month to approve

Screen #5 - Treasurer's report. Amy reviewed our balance, last month's expenditures, and income 24,924.53 at the end of September. Grit Games under budget, receiving donations for Trunk or Treat and have gotten almost \$800 from LLL for the year.

Screen #6 - Secretary membership report - membership is up from last month, currently at 166. Purchased 86 t-shirts with membership donations, to cover all of the low income families

Screen #7 - VP Improvement report - LG committee meeting coming up on Sunday 17th. Working on replacing irrigation lines that were broken and identifying classroom coordinator positions. DEI has their next meeting next Monday at 6:00

Screen #8 - VP Events report - Grit Games went well. Read-a-thon is starting next week, information should go home with students on how to register. Part of Growth Mindset Week. Trunk or Treat on the 15th - a few more slots open for volunteers.

Screen #9 - Presidents report

Grit Games -

What went well - overall went really well, kids got good exercise and enjoyed it, it was fun to have community volunteers (fire and police), liked this over Buddy Run because felt like we were doing it more together

Any suggestions for improvement: better signage and maps, maybe have a "buddy finder" to help kiddos find a team if they want which may be another volunteer position, more volunteers overall, more clear directions/verbiage during signup, can we have something more festive with music

Read-a-thon in October - Starts Monday 10/11. This will help replace our main fundraising event from the past. Will go towards school improvement, Lincoln Grows, all PTA initiatives. Goes along with Growth Mindset Week. Register your students online.

Screen #10 - Hartman update - we have a group of staff members ready to spend money on books on diverse characters. We've matched curriculum already, but would like to expand the library and resources in individual classrooms. Should staff propose books, or should DEI recommend books to them?

Classroom parties - not doing them this year, largely because of the context we are in. Not to say we don't want to do anything celebratory, but just current context. The past way that PTA ran parties is likely not tenable going forward - difficulty securing building with large number of volunteers, difficulty identifying who volunteers where and competition between classrooms. This may be a good time to consider starting with a clean slate. Maybe model similar to fifth grade farewell from last year with entire grade coming out to go to stations. Would be PTA run, but would provide equality amongst students.

Halloween for this year - just a costume parade outside the building, open to the community. No volunteers/visitors in the building.

Screen #11 - Committee Updates

Screen #12 - LLL - coming up is photog event and La Dolce Vita

Screen #13 - Growth Mindset Week - Read-a-thon and Trunk or Treat coming up. Trunk or treat will be a scavenger hunt with bag of candy at the end to minimize hand to hand contact. Pre-registration encouraged so we have a good head count. There are still 7 spots open for decorating a Trunk, prize for best trunk. A few volunteer slots still open too.

Screen #14 - Collaboration Week - December 6th - 10th. Grinch Week and Holidays Around the World. Committee will email 2nd grade to collaborate since they do a holidays around the world unit. Idea is to decorate window space - is it better to do by individual class or group together by grade levels. Need to start sourcing donations and lights.

Screen #15 - Staff Appreciation - Meeting this Friday at 5:00 via zoom

Screen #16 - Lincoln Grows - Weeding this week in preparation for Growth Mindset Week

Screen #17 - DEI - Meeting Monday 10/11 at 6:00. Welcome Wednesdays has started

Screen #18 - New Business intro

Screen #19 - "It's your turn" - no comments

Screen #20 - Next Meeting is on Monday November 8th at 5:45 in person Lincoln Media Center

Motion to end meeting - Philip motion, Alycia second - none opposed, none abstained

Adjourn: 6:51 p.m.