

Southland Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2021

Zoom

Board Members Present: Nicole Campbell, Amy Kalbes, Shelley Beck, Brenda Bingham

PTO Members Present: Lisa Jackson, Angela Greer, Julia Halliday, Lacey Butterfield, Amy Bennion, Susan McDougal,

Meeting called to order by: Nicole Campbell at 9:30 a.m.

Items Discussed:

Principal Report – Dr. Seuss week had some controversy, next year may change to a different program. The school will be staying with the current COVID-19 guidelines for now and expecting to remain until the end of the school year. Recess was clarified as being permitted because it falls under the 15 minute window, but still no grade wide activities.

Teacher Update – No update from Lacey.

Budget – Sound system vote- PTO voted to allocate \$3,300 money from the leftover water bottle fountains budget to get a school wide sound system. Motion to vote was put forth by Amy Kalbes, it was 2nd by Angela Greer. Unanimously approved into budget. Ready to move forward, work order will be put into district.

Brenda has been primarily processing room parent and teacher discretionary payments.

Field Trip Replacement – Nicole and Mrs. Jackson are working on written guidelines for teachers to understand how this budget will be used for replacement field trips. Mrs. Jackson confirmed that she talked to the District and no walking field trips are allowed. PTO will buy supplemental items for virtual field trips, but parties should come from discretionary funds.

Parent Teacher Conference Dinner – March 24-25 Conferences will be over Zoom. PTO will provide a brown bag, soup and salad dinner for the teachers and office staff, those involved in the conferences.

Green Ribbon Week – April 12-15th. Amy Kalbes gave an update on ideas including placing green ribbons along the fences; Skylert and flyer of activities to be sent to parents with ribbons to attach to backpack; possibly have Riverton Police to place

electronic speed signs near our crosswalks; and “meet your crossing guard” spotlights. Activities for kids: Safety Cahoots- Susan McDougal will look into this.

Teacher Appreciation – Michelle Dunfield will head this up. Decorating doors or posters, will coordinate with Lisa Jackson for teachers.

Super Field Day – June 2nd, No bounce houses and will be reimagining all activities. Teachers and aides can help because we can't have many, if any, volunteers at the school. Looking for suggestions and ideas of activities for in school and virtual students. Suggestions were made to section off the playground and possibly move activities to each class in distanced space. Possibly have a paid performance brought in.

6th Grade Celebration – June 1st Shelley Beck is currently reaching out to 6th grade teachers and parents for ideas and volunteers. Many past activities would not be Covid-safe, so it will have to be reimagined. Won't be able to go to park, she is looking into sectioning off part of the playground for activities. Possibly making a memory book with pictures. Mrs. Jackson is reaching out to Lifetouch to use school pictures. Possibly make a button specifically for 6th grade. **Additional information received after PTO meeting state we cannot use Lifetouch photos for memory book.**

Art Contest- Deadline was March 3rd. There were a lot of submissions. Judging will take place in the next week. 1st, 2nd, 3rd place ribbons for each grade division.

PTO Board Nominations for 2021-2022 – Amy will be nominated for President. If interested in being on the board or nominating someone please reach out at southlandpto@gmail.com. We will put forth nominations at our next meeting.

Comments – no comments

Next PTO Meeting – Thursday, April 8, 2021, 9:30-10:30 a.m. via Zoom

Motion to adjourn by: Angela Greer at 10:20 a.m., 2nd by Amy Kalbes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 2021

Feb 15-Mar 3 Art Competition

Mar 4 PTO Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Mar 18 SCC Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Mar 19 Grade Transmittal Day (No School)

Mar 24-25 Parent Teacher Conferences

Mar 26 PTC Compensation Day (No School)

Mar 29-Apr 2 Spring Break (No School)

April 2021

Apr 1-2 Spring Break (No School)

Apr 8 PTO Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Apr 12-16 Green Ribbon Week (*Safe Walk to School*)

May 2021

May 6 PTO Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

May 31 Memorial Day (No School)

June 2021

Jun 4 Last Day of School