# PTO Kickoff Meeting, September 8 2023

#### Introductions of all of the PTO members

Kennedy Peters, President; Open, Vice President; Megan Prensner, Secretary; Brandi Henderson, Treasurer; Sarah Roark, Fundraising Coordinator (thanks for bringing

donuts!); Helen Walters, Fundraising Coordinator (thanks for bringing coffee!!);

Danniel Cea, Member-at-Large (thanks for organizing and working childcare!);

Katie Kinney, Member-at-Large (absent) Taryn Pennau, Member-at-Large

## Mission Statement and what the PTO accomplished this year

- Fed teachers and staff lunch and snacks/coffee 12 times between the Sunshine Committee and SAM (Staff Appreciation Month)
- Gave all staff embroidered blankets for their birthday
- Supported Grandparents' Day with snacks
- Supported room parents
- Freshened up teachers' lounge almost daily
- Sharpened knives in the teachers' lounge
- Provided seasonal décor for school entrance
- Provided doughnuts for Kindergarten welcome
- Purchased backpack storage cart for 1<sup>st</sup> grade
- Purchased piano trolley
- Purchased bottle refiller for upstairs
- Purchased storage boxes for 1<sup>st</sup> grade
- Purchased math manipulatives
- Purchased Keurig coffee maker for teachers' lounge
- Purchased dry erase boards for 1<sup>st</sup> grades
- Purchased massages for teachers and staff
- Purchased remaining art panels and frames
- Purchased retirement for Mrs. Jacks & Mrs. Watters

### Speaker: Mrs. Curtis-

- **a.** Families can check out books! 4 books at a time-if you want your child to check out something specific
- b. Grandparents Day- PRO TIP- have grandparents bring cash or check (or you can prepay if Grandparents want to buy a book before hand or won't be there) Cards are accepted but take longer. Volunteers needed the day of, and many volunteers needed the Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> to label books. Contact Mrs. Curtis to sign up CCurtis@asd20.org

Speaker: Mrs. DeMeyer-

- a. Finished carpool earlier than expected yesterday!!! Please use carpool! There are so many people not using carpool that the crosswalk is overflowing into the carpool lane and pedestrians are making it unsafe.
- b. Grandparents Day- only grandparents and volunteers. Only 1 time per student/per grandparent. RSVP is for making sure that grandparents have permission to take students off campus for lunch or early pick up.
- c. Service Run for St. Jude- LOTS of volunteers needed. We raise money for this event. Info coming home soon.
- d. Talking about integrity with the 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Doing the right thing with no one watching and navigating complex situations.

**Speaker: Lindy Keffer**- Our new Advancement officer (in her first 3 weeks!) and 9 year TCA Parent. Her job is to cultivate generosity at TCA. Reminder that we aren't in competition with other TCA campuses but rather in partnership. We took a moment think of a time when we were impacted by generosity (either receiving or giving) and how it Parents directly bless teachers. There is discretionary budget from the Principal to do special things for the staff and a returning staff bonus. Both of these are given by the Advancement office and both of these come from parent generosity. One time gifts and recurring gifts are welcomed,

## Voting

- April Minutes Approval
- Meeting Dates (10/20, 11/3, 1/19, 2/9, 3/8, 4/5) (Approved)
- Staff Appreciation Month K/1, 2/3, 4/5 will do meals 4/18, 4/25 4/30 and 6<sup>th</sup> will do snacks 5/1 (Approved)
- Funds Requests
  - 1. Coach Kuyper-Cones-\$69.90 (Approved)
  - 2. Daniell Cea-Decorations Committee-\$150 (Approved)
  - 3. TCA office-New modular meeting table-\$2486.80 (Approved)
- 4. PTO Board- In-and-Out tickets (88 staff members) \$528 total if all teachers wanted tickets (Approved)

# **Bylaw Change**

Current Bylaw	Proposed Amendment
The President shall have the authority to draw upon the Central PTO Fund for expenses less than \$50.00 relating to PTO goals. For any expenses exceeding \$50.00, the President must first receive a majority approval of the PTO Board.	In addition to the current bylaw, add:if there is variance in the cost of an approved funds request, the President shall have the authority to approve an additional expenditure of \$200 without requiring a second vote by the PTO membership. For variances of \$200, a second vote by the PTO

	membership will be required.
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(Approved)

# **Fundraising Update- Helen Walters**

- 1. Skate City- \$384
- 2. In and Out- 9/28 5-6:30 DJ, Games, Fresh Port-a-Potty
- 3. Kempo Karate- waiting to finalize dates

### Treasurer- Brandi Henderson

47,734 Balance 7/1/22

23,520 Income 22/23

22,875 Expenses 22/23

48,380 Balance 06/23

\*\*We voted to give \$5000 to the May match and then we forgot! We will give it in December whether or not there is a match!

Yearbook needs Main person for 1st (this has been filled since the meeting), and helper for 1st and 3rd

Birthday Blessing- birthday party for the staff 9/22 12:45-2; Volunteers needed to help transform room 176 into a birthday extravaganza!

# Meeting Adjourned

Again, Thank you Daneill Cea for Childcare, Sarah Roark for picking donuts, and Helen Walters for picking up coffee! And thank you Mission Coffee for the generous coffee donation!