

Pebble Creek PTO Meeting Agenda

November 5, 2020

Attendees: Adrienne Shields, Morgan Moore, Kelly Chambers, Leslie Stewart, Ali Massey, Megan Jonaasson, Sarah Seidel, Sherry

Guests:

PCE Representative: Blaire Grande

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Adrienne Shields called the meeting to order at 12:00pm
- II. Approval of Minutes from October 2020 Meeting
 - A. Leslie Stewart made a motion to approve the October Meeting Minutes; Morgan Moore seconded the motion. The motion passes and the minutes are approved.
- III. Treasurer's Report – Leslie Stewart: no checks received from Marco's or Texas Roadhouse yet – Lara to follow up on those
 - A. Beginning Balance 10/1: \$32,642
 - B. Activity: (\$4,622)
 - C. Ending Balance 10/31: \$28,020
- IV. Principal's Report – Blaire Grande
 - A. Teachers are still being "appreciated" and morale is good
 - B. Halloween parties, fun run, book fair – it is a fun time of year! Check Schoology for pictures and updates
 - C. Wishlists: thank you for supporting the teachers
 - D. COVID update: 3 positive cases total at our school – all are Kids Klub staff; everything is going well and we are taking care of the kids 😊
- V. New Business
 - A. City-Wide PTO Meeting Update from October 27th

We were assured that the school district is discussing when to have volunteers – "eventually" volunteers will be allowed in the buildings. Please be sure to fill out your volunteer application on the CSISD website.
 - B. November 18th – the Grant Patrol (part of the Education Foundation) will be traveling around College Station to award teachers their grants – the plan discussed was to arrive at each campus and call out each teacher to then be presented with their certificate.
 - C. Mr Martindale reported that as of 10/19/2020 CSISD had 80.2% of students on site which equates to approximately 11,000 students. Broken down: 78% of High School, 79.2% of Middle School, 81.4% of Intermediate and 83% of Elementary school kids are on site (Pebble Creek is closer to 90%). The

trend our state is seeing is an increased failure rate and lower attendance in those at the secondary level who are doing virtual.

- D. As of 10/23 – The COVID report: there were 3 active cases out of approx. 2,000 employees; 12 active student cases out of approx. 11,000.
- E. The School Board will start discussions regarding Strategic Planning for the District in January (or in early Spring). This will include: possibly adjusting curriculum of PreAP/Honors courses; change may be to call these courses Advanced – this change would be necessary due to the changing College Board expectations. You can go to the Board Workshop website for videos – videos will give a detailed explanation.
- F. December/January expect to see a new proposed school calendar for the 2021-2022 school year.
- G. Next citywide meeting is November 17th(ish)

VI. **Committee Reports and Updates**

A. Candy Cane Fun Run – Nichole Rodriguez

*Coach Forester has been incredible in planning some activities and exercise for our kids for their Candy Cane Fun Run. Proposed date is Friday, December 4th – kids will have longer camp and will get three really fun activities! Proceeds from this event will help provide Blessings in Bags for the students in our school over the holiday break; the remainder of the proceeds will go to fund our PTO for next year.

B. Panthers Helping Panthers – Andria Kastner and Sarah Seidel

*There is money leftover from last year to be able to purchase a book for kids during the book fair. There will be no Christmas tree in the office like last year, but there will be a sign-up sheet for families to “adopt” a child – this year, we are asking that families who provide a toy and a pair of shoes for a child. Sign up sheet will be coming home soon.

C. Book Fair – Kelly Chambers, Erica Hightower and Monica Palma

*Monica and Kelly are providing decorations for the outside of the library. We will be putting out signs before next week. Fall Book Fair is Nov. 9-13th (students only - onsite). Please check out the eWallet option information sent home in Monday folders. CSISD is encouraging schools to try to reduce the amount of cash and checks being brought in. Virtual fair begins will be Nov. 4th-17th.

D. Carnival – Sarah Seidel, Nichole Rodriguez, Paige Kramer and Ashley Kortis

*An email was sent out to our carnival committee earlier this week, as we will not be able to hold a carnival for our school. I am looking into the possibility of a DanceFit Boosterthon fundraiser (3/22 – 4/1) – this along with a possible online Silent Auction and the Candy Cane Fun Run would be how we would fund the PTO for next year.)

E. Promotions – Lara Clark

*Our Texas Roadhouse night had an amazing turnout – we made just under \$2000 – the Apgar family donated money to make it a \$2000 donation. December Spirit Night is scheduled with Freddy's for Tuesday, 12/8/2020 from 5-8 pm - they donate 30% so this is a good one!

F. Communications – Kelly Chambers and Beth Hawkins

*all committees please be sure to submit events and updates to Kelly to be shared on Facebook and to Beth to be shared on our website. It is important we keep this updated.

G. Yearbook: Around 130 out of 250 (goal) sold; Ali to send updated flyer out letting people know that ordering is still available.

VII. **Upcoming Dates:**

November 2nd – 7th Sharky's Cuts Spirit Week

November 6th Pajama Day!

November 9th – 13th Book Fair for in-person students only

November 9th – December 11th MAP Middle of the Year Testing Window

November 11th Veteran's Day Drive-through Celebration
November 13th Fall Picture Retakes and Virtual Student Pictures
November 14th Chrissy's Closet Shopping Day
November 20th Dress Up Day – Wear as many colors as you can!
November 23rd – November 27th Thanksgiving Break

**May not have a December meeting – Adrienne will send out a communication closer to that time.

VIII. **Meeting Adjourned at 12:28pm.**

NEXT MEETING: December 3rd