## Pebble Creek PTO Meeting Agenda January 9, 2020

- Attendees: Locke Newell, Shelby Hall, Monica Palma, Rachel Mayne, Hearin Schmitt, Staci Cocanougher, Megan Johnasson, Adrienne Shields, Cheryl Robinson, Sarah Seidel, Morgan Moore
- Guests:
- PCE Representative: Blair Grande
- I. Call to Order: Adrienne Shields called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.
- II. Welcome Guests
- III. Guest Speaker Mary Parrish
  - A. Spoke to the board on vaping and e-cigarettes the notes / presentation will be posted to the website.
  - B. For any additional questions, contact Mary Parrish at <u>mparrish@brazoscountytx.gov</u> or 979-361-5731.
- IV. Approval of Minutes from November 2019 Meeting
  - A. Cheryl Robinson moved to approve the November meeting minutes; Locke Newell seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- V. Treasurer's Report
  - A. Jill Moore will give the report for December through January at the February meeting.
- VI. Principal's Report Blaire Grande
  - A. eCigarettes have not been an issue at Pebble Creek!
- VII. New Business
  - A. 50 Men Who Can Cook will be held on Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm 9:30pm. Tickets are on sale at https://givetokids.csisd.org/50-men/buy-tickets.html for \$60/each.
    - Local community and school leaders are selected to prepare their recipe of choice including salads, soups, sides, entrées or desserts to raise money for the CSISD Education Foundation's initiatives: teacher grants, scholarships, literacy programs and Chrissy's Closet. Tickets are \$60 each, which gets you entrance into the event and includes all the food you can taste and adult beverages of your choice. This year mystery bags and a raffle will offer guests opportunities to support our schools. You also get to vote for your favorite appetizer/salad/side dish, soup/chili, entrée, and dessert for the awards that will be presented at the end to our Celebrity Chefs. This is an "adult-oriented" event and guests are discouraged from bringing children.
  - B. PTO Board member return form
    - Please fill out if you are a definite yes or no for the 2020-2021 school year and turn in during the meeting. Those who are currently serve on the board have first dibs at open positions – if you do not turn in at today's meeting, board members are asked to please return by our next meeting.
  - C. Teacher Grants for the Spring
    - We have \$2400 left over from the fall because of that we are able to offer our teachers a chance to submit a grant this spring! Applications are due by Friday,

February 7<sup>th</sup>. Adrienne will be requesting several volunteers to help review/discuss those applications. Be on the lookout for an email asking for help.

- VIII. Committee Reports and Updates
  - A. Fun Run/Food Drive Sarah Schuessler and Nichole Rodriguez
    - We raised 9,000lbs of food to benefit the Salvation Army of Bryan/College Station.
       2nd grade won the extra recess with a snowball fight and the kids all seemed to have a great time!
    - Next food drive will be mostly run by student council and put on by CSISD.
  - B. Panthers Helping Panthers Andria Kastner
    - The PHP giving tree was a success! We were able to provide gifts to about 70 children. Gifts were collected in mid-December from families who generously donated, and then committee members organized/sorted per child. The families were able to come pick up their gifts on the 17th in the office.
    - For next year, we will brainstorm ideas of how to ensure that all of our children are getting something rather than some kids getting all of their items and others getting nothing. One idea is to create a system where we prioritize certain items first for every kid, and then move to lower priority items once all kids' top priority items have been taken care of.
  - C. Carnival Sarah Schuessler, Sarah Seidel, Shelby Hall, Leigh Anne Jones and Kelly Book
    - Silent Auction: letters were sent out in November donations are starting to come in. We still need help trying to get silent auction donations, so if anyone has ideas please let us know! Sarah will email out the list of companies/individuals we've already reached out to so people can see who's been contacted - there are so many new businesses in town that many have probably not been reached. We will also be soliciting donations for kids raffle (not doing class baskets this year), so if you have stuff kids might want to bid on, we'll have bins in the front of school starting next week. If anyone wants to volunteer to help the committee members make follow-up calls for silent auction we'd love the help! It's easy!
    - Games: going well!
    - Food: letters have gone out; need to determine the dollar threshold donated to get their logo on the t-shirt; since Ninfa's is gone, need to brainstorm replacement ideas – Mad Taco, Taco Casa, Casa De Brazil; everything else we are doing is the same as last year.
  - D. Promotions Amy Krupa and Lara Clark
    - We were able to raise \$126 from the Roadhouse Spirit Night. We are also working with Freebirds to get a spirit night set up for January. We should have more details by the end of this week!
  - E. Book Fair Kelly Chambers, Erica Hightower and Monica Palma
    - Fall Book Fair Summary Total sales: \$14,165.40. Cash profit: \$3,100. Scholastic Dollars profit: \$350.43. All for Books Total reported: \$1,648.19 (\$849.25 collected during drive, \$601.62 from Panthers Helping Panthers, and \$197.32 from the Amy Anderson Literacy Legacy/Ed. Foundation); with the \$849.25 collected we were able to purchase 60 books for the PC Library. Panthers Helping Panthers: 58 students were able to purchase \$10 worth of books each.
    - The Spring BOGO Book Fair will be April 15-17.
    - \*\*Also, we are in need of library volunteers for the semester. Committee will send out the sign up genius again, and it will also be available on Facebook.
  - F. T-Shirt Committee Ashlee Schoenvogel and Monica Palma
    - Successful Fall t shirt ordering! New children that have enrolled at Pebble Creek have now been given shirts.
    - Extras for adults still available in the office for purchasing.

- Carnival shirts- be on the lookout for ordering information. This will be happening soon with online ordering only like last year. Possibly to consider keeping online store open longer since Carnival is a month later this year. Monica will send link to the store to Mrs. Grande, who will provide it to the families.
- G. Yearbook Ali Massey, Catherine Chesser, Natalie Johnson and Megan Jonasson
  Our current sales are 240. We have started working on the design/layout.

We will take the group PTO photo during our February meeting. Please try to attend the meeting!

- H. Staff Relations Hearin Schmitt, Rachel Mayne and Staci Cocanougher
  - There was a lunch provided for teachers in December from The Chicken Salad Chick. We also provided snacks for teachers during their staff development day on Tuesday January 7th. We will be providing snacks in February on the staff development day as well, so please be on the lookout for that sign-up (maybe a strawberry shortcake bar, since it is close to Valentine's Day!)
- I. Communications Cheryl Robison, Kelly Chambers
  - Newsletter deadline is tomorrow
  - Send pictures from Fun Run in to Cheryl!

Meeting was adjourned at 12:41pm.

Upcoming Dates:

- January 9<sup>th</sup> Destination Imagination Meeting 3 4:30pm
- January 13<sup>th</sup> Kids Heart Challenge Kick-off (during morning assembly)
- January 15<sup>th</sup> Student Council Meeting 3 4:15pm
- January 16<sup>th</sup> Destination Imagination Meeting 3 4:30pm
- January 20<sup>th</sup> NO SCHOOL MLK Day
- January 23<sup>rd</sup> Yearbook Cover Winners Announced (during morning assembly)
- January 23<sup>rd</sup> Destination Imagination Meeting 3 4:30pm
- January 27<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to the Symphony
- January 30<sup>th</sup> Destination Imagination Meeting 3 4:30pm
- January 31<sup>st</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Graders have Oakwood Orchestra visit during CAMP
- January 31<sup>st</sup> Wee Deliver Stamp Winners Announced (during morning assembly)
- January 31<sup>st</sup> Scholar Dollar Day Wear Crazy Socks!!
- February 7<sup>th</sup> 50 Men Who Can Cook 6:30 9:30pm

## NEXT PTO MEETING: Thursday, February 6th at 12pm