Spring Creek Elementary PTA Parent Involvement Meeting Friday, May 12, 2023 Spring Creek Elementary Library

Start Time: 10:01 AM

PTA Members present – Lochsley Allred, Lindsey Stockdale, Krystal Johnson, Ashley Rayback, Jenny Wright, Kirby Cook, Tyler Steele, Cristina Bray, Ruth Ann Snow, Kimmy Martinez, Pam Foster

Community Members present -

I.Call to Order/Introduction: Lochsley Allred, PTA President

- II. Pledge: Lochsley Allred
- III. Officer and Commissioner Reports:

Principal Ruth Ann Snow

- Suzie Cox is coming from Innovative Learning, a STEM initiative. Teachers will
 receive training in a robotics program. Suzie Cox presented briefly gave some
 more details on this program's robots. Their program's K 2 robots are screen
 free. They also have a type of robot called an Ozobot. These are line following
 robots. Finches and Hummingbirds are types of robots developed for children of
 all ages, which is unique in the robotics world.
- 2. Band and Orchestra Sound Factory performance will be Monday at 6 PM.
- 3. Wednesday, May 17th and Thursday, May 18th are early release days.
- 4. Class placements and grades are ongoing.
- 5. Last day for preschool and kindergarten is May 18th.
- 6. 6th grade graduation is upcoming.
- 7. The Dance Festival is on the last day of school at 10:30 AM. All are welcome! Awards for attendance will be given at that time. PTA will be recognized, and new officers will be announced.
- 8. Field Day will need lots of volunteers, but there is also a lot of interest.

School Board Representative Jennifer Partridge

1. Our new superintendent is Wendy Dow. She is from Canyon School District. She has a long history in our education system. The priority was on finding someone who would work on supporting our teachers, and Wendy is very representative of that. She is very communicative and collaborative, and excited to get to work! A news article is available on provo.edu on the new superintendent. There were

13 total candidates with a lot of good options. Hearing the vision and goals of these candidates was inspiring.

- 2. Strategic planning is ongoing for the district's vision and mission for next year.
- 3. Camp Big Springs is cancelled for the summer, because of major snow pack still in the canyon.
- 4. First budget reading was presented and is on the agenda of the board meeting. Those details are on the district website. Details are still being finalized.
- 5. Parent Engagement policy was approved.
- 6. The attendance policy will be updated next, to try and improve attendance. It will be on the website soon. Let's work on emphasizing the importance of face-to-face engagement in the classroom.
- 7. This month is Mental Health Awareness month. Loneliness is detrimental to mental health. School and peers and teachers are helpful in this epidemic were having with mental health.
- 8. School support staff were recognized. Staff were recognized for their work in low income schools. This is determined by growth statistics. Clayton, Wright, and Bringhurst were recognized from Spring Creek. They received a \$7000 bonus based on test scores from 2 years ago.
- 9. June 13th is the upcoming monthly board meeting.

Teacher Representative Pam Foster

- 1. Materials were brought to assemble sixth grade swag bags. Assembly happened during the meeting. Thanks all!
- 2. The sixth grade field trip happened yesterday at a movie theatre. Every single assignment was handed in this year, and the motivator was the movie. RISE testing and attendance were up-to-date, as well. So, the movie was so helpful for finishing up end of year assignments.
- 3. If buses are available next year, we would prefer to have a bus the last week of school during Field Day.

Community Outreach Representative Kimmy Martinez

- 1. Provo Peaks will have a summer outreach program.
- 2. Summer meals program is going on this summer here at Spring Creek. Free meals, breakfast and lunch, will be available for most of the summer.
- 3. Library resources were presented.

President Lochsley Allred

- Field Day Sign up for volunteers will be going out and we will possibly be incorporating sixth graders as volunteers. Crystal Blodgett, Lindsey Stockdale, Tyler Steele, Jenny Wright will be contacted to help.
- 2. More volunteers may be needed for the Kindergarten Mother Goose Olympics on May 16th.

- 3. We need last day of school treat ideas. Caramel Apple Bar was presented as an idea. Ashley Rayback volunteered to help.
- 4. Needs Assessment QR code will be given before the Dance Festival. Ashley Rayback will help administer the assessment.
- 5. For next year's Spectacular a committee will be convened during the summer. Jenny Wright, Crystal Blodgett, Ashley Rayback, and Lindsey Stockdale volunteered to help.
- 6. We also need people for a committee for Santa Shoppe next year. Shopping needs to start soon. Kirby Cook, Lindsey Stockdale, and Crystal Blodgett volunteered to help.
- 7. PTA Volunteer Appreciation dinner is tomorrow at 6:30 PM at Lochsley's home.
- 8. We are working to get new checks, the second the checks come in they will be given as soon as possible.
- 9. Next meeting will potentially be the second week of August.

IV. Treasurer's Report: Krystal Johnson

Monthly financial report read. Income: \$647.26 Expenses: \$1,929.64 Balance on hand: \$23,866.97

V. Secretary's Report: Lindsey Stockdale

Minutes approved as read.

- VII. Calendar: Upcoming Events
 - 1. Mother Goose Olympics: May 16th
 - 2. Field Day: May 24th
 - V. Volunteer Opportunities:
 - 1. Field Day: May 24th
 - 2. Water Station for Mother Goose Olympics: May 16th
 - 3. Last Day of School Staff Treat
 - 4. Needs Assessment Survey during the Dance Festival
 - 5. Committee to help plan Spectacular, responsibilities of the committee will include helping to determine fundraising prizes, booking food trucks, getting donations for the prize drawing etc. Many hands make light work! We will meet during the summer, so we're ready to go when school starts.
 - 6. Committee to do Santa Shop, responsibilities of the committee will include shopping and inventory, paperwork, running the shop etc.

Lochsley Allred moved to adjourn the meeting. Lindsey Stockdale seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Time of Adjournment: 10: 51 AM