

GRDC PTO Minutes, February 4, 2021

Meeting called to order by Keith Leech Jr., PTO President at 7:02 p.m.

Minutes: Adrienne Leech reported that the January 2021 PTO meeting was cancelled and rescheduled for today's meeting. The December 2020 PTO minutes can be found on the PTO website.

Members Present: Keith Leech Jr., Adrienne Leech, Teresa Cummings, Heather Schiavo, Nicole Roman, Laini Manley, Augusta Hunt, Angela Davis, Crystal Masley, Heike Dobernecker, Natalie Davis

Treasurer: Heather Schiavo:

1. Cash Flow report for January 2021 shows \$4786.38 inflow and \$524.43 outflow.
2. Treasurer Report shows beginning of January 2021 at \$157,066.54 and ended the month at \$161,328.49. Inflows consisted of a refund from greatergiving of \$2395.00 and other money that was received was from spirit wear, Butter Braid fundraiser, read-a-thon, membership dues, and Dine to Donate.

Principal: Teresa Cummings:

Mrs. Cummings shared about the survey that was discussed at Coffee Hour in January 2021. A survey was also sent out to parents on February 1, 2021 in the weekly newsletter. The school district is looking for family's feedback regarding what has helped their children learn best during distance learning, what are things that have made students feel connected to school and classmates during distance learning, and what are ideas for a summer program that would benefit students and that they would want to engage in beyond the school year.

Next Steps:

1. Sending out survey to families
2. Asking the same questions to students
3. Share the responses from GRDC families with the school district
4. Work on action steps to implement some of the ideas

There was discussion that responses so far indicated that most parents prefer less academic rigor during the summer and would be more interested in students learning through fun.

Heather Schiavo shared the Marvelous Monday Zoom sessions have worked well for the younger students.

The middle school dance was discussed as a way to engage students and for them to have fun.

There was discussion about the need to reintegrate students back to campus life when the school reopens for learning. Special attention was highlighted regarding student's social/emotional learning, learning the rules of the campus, and how to relate to one another. Crystal Masley shared an idea to have the school counselor facilitate social groups with kids to assist with social

interactions. Mrs. Cummings reported the school counselor may be able to arrange weekly skills groups. The idea of having virtual assemblies was also discussed.

Teachers:

Mrs. Manley reported no new business to discuss.

New Business:

Keith Leech Jr. reported that he and Adrienne will be vacating the position of PTO President. Natalie Davis has agreed to take on the position of President temporarily until elections can be held. Keith will be working with Natalie during the transition and they will work to get the election set up.

Heather Schiavo asked Mrs. Cummings to remind teachers to submit their reimbursements as the deadline is April 15, 2021.

Committee/Events Reports:

No reports.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. by Keith Leech Jr, PTO President. Next meeting is March 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.