

## AGENDA

Aldrich PTO Meeting  
November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 7PM - 8:30PM  
Zoom  
Aldrich PTO CARE

Attendees: Hannah Stovall, Heather Shores, Jennifer Wartick, Kim Cross, Jessica Folkerts, Angel Stammer, Meghan Meyer, Kimberly Gomez, Jodie Huegerich, Tammy Bronemann, Jennifer Miller, Cole Bowermaster, Katrina Charlton

### I. CALL TO ORDER at 7:03 PM by Hannah Stovall

Use Google Drive to create and make documents - email Hannah if you need access

### II. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

- a. Chairperson's Report – Hannah Stovall (5 min)
  - i. Google Drive
- b. Treasurer's Report – Heather Shores (5 min) - Heather reviewed checks received, and current balance, still waiting for some final checks from the Honest Ask Campaign.
- c. Secretary's Report – Jennifer Wartick (5 min)
  - i. Minutes from October meeting - minutes were approved

III. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Kim Cross (5 min) Kim shared that the district will continue to watch the news and county positivity rates for COVID-19. She reported that family members have tested positive but have yet to have a positive case in school. 6th grade band starting this week. Due to the pandemic, the band teacher is moving from school to school and will work with Aldrich kids one day to lessen risk. During band, students will still have to social distance and be 6 feet apart (but trombones will be 8 feet apart). They are still not having meetings in the building and still asking parents to not enter the building. All conferences will be via Zoom. Kim shared that the CARE sponsored tree planting was really neat and went well with the first graders. Kim was asked about snow days and distance learning. We discussed Chrome Books and iPads being a challenge for making snow days home learning days. There is currently not a plan in place for how to address snow days, ideas about how devices will work and an update should be coming from the superintendent soon as we prepare for the changes in the weather. Is the district planning to change the district's calendar to cancel or change spring break? - Kim said they have no plans to cancel Spring Break or change the calendar. Kim Cross explained needed absenteeism for moving to a distance model, the need to still ask for the waiver from the state, and cases reported to school are based on self reporting.

### IV. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- a. Hospitality – Lory Pauli (5 min) - Lory was unable to attend but Kim Cross provided an update.

- i. Conference Meal - Hospitality is providing a meal on Tuesday during conferences for the teachers. They are ordering through Jimmy Johns because they will do individual meals. Kim Cross said to plan for 35 people (some staff may be at different buildings on different nights as they work in multiple buildings).
    - ii. Directory - Lory has contacted Kim Cross and is working on the directory.
  - b. Service – Alice Gabel (5 min)
    - i. Service update
  - c. Special Events – Open (5 min) - open position and due to current restrictions, no special events are scheduled at this time.
  - d. Yearbook & Spirit – Angel Stammer (5 min)
    - i. Update - Flyers went home for the cover drawing contest. Yearbook flyers will go home December 1st. Voting for the cover will be the 1st and 2nd week of December. Classrooms will be shown a slide show and each class will vote in their own rooms. 48 yearbooks have already been ordered. Teachers can continue to upload to the Shutterfly Share site
    - ii. Spirit - Jennifer Miller - Shirt Shack and Iowa Sport Supply are the current options for vendors because both can do the order and both can have an online store. Jennifer asked about rules and wording. The company needs to be able to print the licensed logo (may have to make it a certain logo) - We discussed if we should make this a fundraiser? The group agreed that no, spiritwear should not be used as a fundraiser. We will leave it as a total cost with some rounding depending on final price. Order forms and information should go out to parents to start next week (conference week) and orders should be received by the holiday/winter break. We discussed that there is no need to order extras
  - e. Wellness – Jodie Huegerich (5 min)
    - i. Wellness Update - School garden update: Kale went home with students, Jodie cleaned the garden a little, there is still kale. The wellness committee is meeting via zoom on November 20th at 7:30 am.
  - f. Fundraising – Cole Bowermaster (15 min)
    - i. Honest Ask- The campaign has raised about \$3500 to date which is about 50% of the goal. Currently, the platform charges 8.5% fee. Cole is setting up a Go Fund Me page to launch a mini campaign after the holidays (January) with a

heavy focus on social media and looking for company match programs (some people looked into company matching and waiting until this month to donate due to company policies). 98 families have donated so far. Next year will look into adding a text component as well.

ii. New Ideas to Pursue

- Getting kids more involved in the philanthropy
- Art auction of children's artwork
- Literacy - Read A Thon - promotes literacy and helps raise funds
- Applying for local grants to help raise funds for specific items such as chargers for iPads and Chromebooks going home

V. NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Next meeting – Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>

VII. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:45 PM