

AGENDA

Aldrich PTO Meeting
September 7, 2021 – 7PM
Aldrich Library
Aldrich PTO CARE

In Attendance: Lory Pauli, Heather Shores, Angel Stammer, Alysha Steinberg, Keaghan Brunscheon, Katie Charlton, Kim Cross, Jennifer Miller, Hannah Badenhop, Cole Bowermaster, Chris Latta, Denise Aalderks

I. CALL TO ORDER 7:03 PM

II. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

a. Chairperson's Report – Lory Pauli (5 min)

- i. Open opportunities to serve are hospitality, events, and wellness co-chair
- ii. Wishlist (bike rack, climbing wall, etc.) Bring ideas next time - Kim will reach out to the teachers
- iii. Recruitment of new members

b. Treasurer's Report – Heather Shores (5 min) Heather presented the end of the year bank statement and financial statement. She also shared the approved budget for the 2021-2022 school year. We need a volunteer to help add up Hy Vee receipts in December and June. Heather will be opening teacher allocations.

c. Secretary's Report – Jennifer Wartick (5 min)

- i. Approve Minutes
April- Approved
May - Approved

III. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Kim Cross (5 min) Started the year with 432 k-6 students and 30 preschool students, and are adding two more, and continuing to grow! Aldrich had 385 students when it opened 4 years ago.

IV. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- a. Hospitality – Lory Pauli (5 min) - open - Lory is taking care of it for now until we get a new person. Lory explained

responsibilities of the hospitality chair including room parent coordination, conference meals, directory, and teacher appreciation week - Lory has started to work on the directory.

b. Service – Alice Gabel (5 min) Planning the 1st grade tree planting project. It will cost approximately \$200 from the service budget. The grade level teachers and principal are still interested in participating in the project and will go forward with scheduling a date

c. Special Events – Open (5 min) Responsible for arranging activities and any special events at school. COVID restrictions will need to be taken into account. 6th grade party will be worked on with room parents and volunteers from 6th grade parents.

d. Yearbook & Spirit – Angel Stammer and Jennifer Miller (5 min)

i. Yearbook - HR Imaging is the new photography company. The district switched from Lifetouch for school pictures and yearbooks will also be done through the new company. Planning to do a cover contest again this year for the upper grades.

ii. Spirit Wear - Working on creating a spirit store. Will do a quick store now for t-shirts, and then having a larger store a month or so from now. Not doing spirit wear as a fundraiser. Round price up to the nearest dollar for ease of pricing. Jennifer had designs for attendees to review following the meeting.

e. Wellness – Jodie Huegerich (5 min)

i. Wellness Update Looking for a co-chair to take over next year. Responsibilities include maintaining gardens, wellness activities, kale chips, maintaining wellness website, and other duties as needed.

f. Fundraising – Cole Bowermaster (15 min) Taking an approach to try and avoid selling things to raise money. We held the first read-a-thoin last year. 47% participation last year, goal is closer to 75% participation this year. We will use a wish list of items for the school to help advertise and encourage participation. Cole is looking into quotes for a bike rack and Kim will also get quotes for bike rack and climbing wall. If anyone has any ideas for fall fundraiser, please contact Cole. We will be sharing more about Amazon Smile and HyVee receipts in the fall to draw

attention to other smaller fundraising efforts. A suggestion was made for Script gift card sales and restaurant nights will be looked at as well.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Next meeting – Tuesday, October 5 – 7pm, Aldrich Library

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 8:11 PM

WISHLIST

- Climbing wall for the gym
- Bike rack