

## AGENDA

Aldrich PTO Meeting  
January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 7PM - 8:30PM  
Zoom  
Aldrich PTO CARE

December CARE meeting was canceled.

Attendees: Kim Cross, Hannah Stovall, Cole Bowermaster, Tammy Bronemann, Lory Pauli, Heather Shores, Angel Stammer, Jennifer Miller, Jodie Huegerich, Katrina Charlton, Kimberly Gomez, Denise Aalderks, Jennifer Wartick, Eric Pitts, Laura Pitts

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Hannah called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM

### II. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

#### A. Chairperson's Report – Hannah Stovall (5 min)

- Hannah thanked the group for their work this year, as it has been a different year with some new challenges to face. Hannah mentioned that some people need class lists for projects they are currently working on.

B. Treasurer's Report – Heather Shores (10 min) - Heather reviewed the budget. We received a check from the spirit wear sale. Heather has checks for those who submitted reimbursement forms prior to winter break. One bill is on hold and liability insurance is outstanding. Are we going forward with teacher allocations? Please see the "Other Business" section of meeting minutes at the bottom of the minutes for discussion and decision on teacher allocations.

C. Secretary's Report – Jennifer Wartick (5 min) i. Approve Minutes from November CARE meeting (December meeting was canceled). Meeting minutes were approved.

### III. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Kim Cross (5 min)

- Great first day back from winter break! - Professional Development day was very productive for the teachers. COVID numbers are still down in the building. Single digit cases still in the school (between both students and staff). The building continues to follow measures to keep numbers low. Kim shared that they are going to start kindergarten round up and if you know anyone with a child who will start kindergarten for the 2021-2022 school year, have them call the school to get them in the system so they get information on how to enroll their

kindergarteners. Cedar Fall Schools will not be doing virtual learning during snow days, for at least the first 3 snow days. This was a distinct level decision and it is tied to the distribution of devices.

#### IV. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

##### a. Fundraising – Cole Bowermaster (5 min)

i. Fundraising Update - GoFundMe went live yesterday. It needs to be shared on social media as much as possible to make it a success. We are hoping to cover the remaining needed amount in the budget. GoFundMe will send tax information needed right away and should be able to do an employer match directly through them. We have a Shutterfly Shares account with some money in it. Kim will look into ways for families to donate balance of lunch accounts to CARE (due to free lunches through the end of year). This needs to include a reminder for families that some kids do eat a second lunch which costs extra and is not covered under the free lunch program. We are going to have the Aldrich school facebook page share the post about the gofund me, Kim will also tweet it out via Aldrich twitter account. Heather shared that she is using BoxTops app and we have earned about \$50 from them.

##### b. Hospitality – Lory Pauli (5 min)

i. Hospitality Update -Lory shared that she did a meal for the teacher for the first set of conferences and will work with Kim to get a second date. Did Jimmy Johns work? Kim indicated that it worked and was easy for the teachers to eat. Due to COVID restrictions, we will do the same thing for the teachers for the next set of conferences. Lory is in the process of making a directory and will continue to work on it

##### c. Service –Alice Gabel

Alice was unable to attend this week.

##### d. Special Events – Open(5 min)

i. Special Events Update - Hannah talked about how we usually do the academic fair this time of year. She asked the group for thought on the following questions: Can we do digital with creating a video? Would we be able to make it without a chair to focus on the project? Kim suggested that it could be put off a year and put more focus on the talent show for the end of the year.The group agreed that this would be difficult to do without a chair and following pandemic restrictions. If we can think of a fun event to add, let Hannah know and we can discuss it at future meetings.

##### e. Yearbook & Spirit – Angel Stammer (10 min)

i. Yearbook Update -At the time of the meeting, we had 80 books sold. Angel shared the cover art winners. We are purchasing two for the cover contest winners who also won \$5 gift cards for ice cream and all entries got their drawings back.

ii. Spirit Wear Update - Jennifer Miller - Overall the sale went well this year. There were 77 orders and the tye dye shirts were popular. One item was out of stock and one item went missing but was found otherwise no complaints had been reported to Jennifer. Online ordering was a hit and easy for everyone. Mrs. Gomez suggested possibly doing spirit wear earlier in the year. We posed the following questions: Is there a way to have an on-going store? Could we do two smaller orders? These will be reviewed again next year.

f. Wellness – Jodie Huegerich (5 min)

i. Wellness Update - Aldrich website has a wellness tab with a lot of resources for staff and families. The wellness committee is planning for Spring activities for students. Kim will write something up for the Friday memo about the resources on the website.

g. Additional Budget discussion: We discussed teacher allocations. Due to lower fundraising than predicted and in past years during the honest ask campaign, we are unable to provide \$200 for each teacher as we have in past years. We are continuing fundraising efforts but cannot predict exact amount. We discussed reducing teachers allocations to \$100 for now and will offer more money once fundraising is complete. No change to the budget at this time. Heather will email the teachers to let them know how to start submitting receipts.

#### V. NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

#### VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Next meeting – Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

VII. ADJOURNMENT meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM