

9/20/21 PTU Minutes

Call to order: President Liz Berns

- The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm
- There were 17 members in attendance
- Minutes from the May 2021 meeting were approved

Treasurer's Report

- Some donations received
- Need to pay Strategic Imaging for yearbooks

Principal's Report

- Off to a great start
- 472 kids in the building, about 100 more than this time last year
- About 50 new to Cedar Heights
- No new teachers, our teachers who were online are now back in the building
- 6 new paraeducators
- We have district interventionists due to COVID funds- focusing on 5th grade
- Our reading teachers are working iwith the younger grades
- FAST assessment results will be shared soon. These show teachers how to help students in reading.
- Kindergarten students got to go to Safety City this year!
- Student council elections are in progress.
- October 15- no school due to professional development.
 - Illustrative Math
 - Leader in Me
- Class sizes are currently 25 and below

New Business

- Survey Highlights:
 - Top areas of focus from the survey
 - Support teachers with funds
 - Fund specialists teachers
 - Support student activities
 - Support student learning
 - Support teachers with neals/teacher appreciation gifts
 - Ongoing teacher supply drive
 - Making sure that PTU activities are inclusive
 - Plan to fill offices in the future
 - Playground equipment
 - Fund to support unmet needs of students
- The current leadership team is looking for fundraising ideas. They are welcome to ideas.
- Breakout Groups



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- Teachers
 - Providing meals on one or both conference nights
 - Supply drive via Sign-up Genius
 - Teacher grants/specialist grants- allow teachers to buy what they need
 - Small, useful gifts in the teachers lounge periodically and during Teacher Appreciation Week
 - By giving teachers what they need, we're helping them focus on students
- Students
 - Mentor/Mentee program virtually
 - Virtual parent read aloud
 - Virtual volunteers to listen to students read, do flash cards, etc.
 - Partner with leader in me
 - Student need fund
 - Support summer reading program
 - Materials to support reading/fluency
- Community
 - Finding out people's strengths and using those
 - Talked about ideas that have already been done such as the metal drive,
 - Utilizing connections in the community such as business owners
 - Scavenger hunt and helping to promote locations in the community
 - Creating things/activities that are inclusive
- Agenda format shared
 - Focus on 3 main ideas for teachers, students, and community
 - For discussion
 - For approval
 - For assistance
- Conclusion
 - Disappointments
 - Wanting someone to step up to do fundraising
 - That we weren't able to meet in person
 - Pleased with
 - The breakout rooms were productive
 - The meeting was organized
 - Trying to make PTU activities inclusive
 - That we had members step up to lead PTU
 - Acknowledgments
 - Angela helped give Jordan some information about the school
 - Parents and teachers being willing to attend the meeting tonight
 - Liz, Rebeccah, and Sarah for their leadership the past few years
 - Our new leadership putting forth a lot of effort to help lead the PTU
 - Teachers being at the meeting to help provide feedback on how PTU can help them



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Next PTU Meeting will be...

• October 18, 2021 at 7pm

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 pm.