Clark Elementary Parent Teacher Organization Meeting Agenda

September 13, 2021, 5:30 pm

Virtual via Zoom (see CCS Calendar for link), Live Stream on Facebook, Recorded for YouTube

- 1. Welcome/Introductions:
 - a. PTO Officers:

Joey Conover: Co-chair

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Amanda Ohlms: Treasurer Catherine Gray: Secretary

Guinevere Higgins: Joint PTO Representative

Dr. Carolyn Kilday and Dr. Krista Jana: Teacher Appreciation

- 2. Principal and/or Assistant Principal Update
- 3. Upcoming Event/Fundraiser: Buzz By Belmont Update
- 4. Review of 2020-2021 (normally review of previous meeting):
 - a. In 2020-2021, Clark PTO switched to virtual meetings.
 - b. Connected our families with support (see https://www.clarkbeespto.org/resources-for-families)
 - c. Worked with all CCS PTOs to raise funds district-wide to increase awareness of needs in lower resourced schools
 - d. Donated \$12,500 to teachers for supplies, including books for the library, sensory tools, math manipulatives, sorting bowls and pattern blocks for PreK, headphones, personal dry erase boards, slacklines and soccer goals for the playground
 - e. Donated \$5,000 to families for winter clothing, shelf stable food, partial rent payments, partial virtual learning center tuition, internet and utilities bills
 - f. Ordered playground equipment and picnic tables
 - g. Provided teacher and staff appreciation events in August, December, February and May to help boost morale
 - h. Continued to push and encourage the district to incorporate Diversity, Equity and Inclusion initiatives in teaching, as well as be a voice to restructure the Gifted Program across the district to reduce the opportunity gap in our community
 - i. Raised \$2.000 at a virtual 5K Race in the fall
- 5. Fall 2021:
 - a. Ordered and built more picnic tables and slacklines to provide more space for outdoor eating, learning, and playing
 - b. Ordered headphones and snacks
 - c. Parent Tobiyah Andrews Morris raised \$500 for new library books to increase the diversity in representation.
- 6. Needs/Support:
 - a. Amazon Wish-list being created, including masks
 - b. Memorial Garden
 - c. Outdoor Classes
 - d. Walking and Biking Trains
 - e. Staff Celebration (PTO gives gifts or food in Dec and May; How else can we regularly show support?)
 - f. Substitutes
 - g. Parent Teacher Organization Name
- 8. Treasurer's Report (Amanda Ohlms): Financials
- 9. Question and Answer Session Open to All
- 10. Adjourn/End

Upcoming Events:

- Walk to School Day in early October
- Buzz By Belmont
- October 14, 2021 virtual School Board Candidate Forum: https://www.ccsptofund.org/
- November 2, 2021: School Board elections: <u>Voter guide link</u>

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