

Vienna Elementary School
PTA Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 12, 2020 7:00 p.m via Zoom

Attendees: Heather Kenney, Stefanie Petrucelli, Kim Bryant, Mitch Schwartz, Molly Peng, John Carmichael, Eben Montaquila, Shelly Baumer, Alison McKee, Alyssa Lehman, Erin Prentice, Krystal Salazar, Sharon Chen, David Dargatis, Becky Elliott, Rebecca Johnson Zara, Bogdan Klein, Michelle Li, Liz Bentzinger, Leslie Wood, Moira Jacobsen, Jennifer Rose

- I. Call To Order: Meeting called to order at 7:01pm
 - Last meeting of the year
 - Board all introduced themselves

- II. Co-Presidents' Report — Stefanie Petrucelli and Heather Kenney
 - Many donations for families in need – thank you for that
 - Went over Zoom rules
 - VES online Bookfair ends this Friday - percentage of sales goes back to VES library
 - May 31 – D4D takeout event at Casual Pint in Falls Church still on (owners are VES families)
 - Thanking the Wine Out committee for converting in-store event to be virtual
 - Supply kits on sale tomorrow for next year
 - VES Summer Camps will be canceled
 - FCPS Board meeting – posted the slides – not a lot of details yet
 - FCPS will meet again in June to work on decisions and details – VES to possibly hold another informal meeting to chat?

- III. Vote on Minutes of January 14, 2020 PTA Meeting
 - No Feb meeting minutes – was at Caboose
 - January minutes were approved as presented

- IV. Treasurer's Report and Budget Overview — PTA Treasurer Kim Bryant
 - Checking: \$19,401.72
 - Savings: \$26,375.00
 - TOTAL ASSETS: \$45,776.72
 - Checking account includes \$5,500 carry over sponsorships for VES 5K/Fun Run
 - Approximately \$5,000 remaining in outstanding invoices for the 2019-2020 fiscal year
 - Fall/Winter Fundraising Profit:
 - PTA Membership Drive - \$4,143.75
 - Teacher Raffle - \$2,111.14
 - Bingo - \$1,019.03
 - Family Dining for Dollars - \$1,137.97
 - February No Fuss Fundraiser - \$5,587.00
 - March & April Grocery Cards for Food Insecure Families - \$5,135.00
 - Spring/Summer Fundraisers Cancelled: After School Programs, VES 5k/Fun Run, Wine Out, Summer Camps

- V. Vote on Motion to Approve Current Board for 2020-2021 School Year
- Current Board to remain, will need a new Board for 2021 – 2022 year
 - Motion was approved, no questions were raised
- VI. Principal's Report and Q&A — Principal John Carmichael
- Shelly: update on Mrs. Ochs has a rare syndrome, she is doing a lot better
 - Thank you for the gift cards, the families are very grateful
 - Fairfax County is providing breakfast and lunch to students in need
 - Staffing changes:
 - Mrs. Lynch is retiring, Joni Thomas is retiring
 - Abbey Montgomery – Special ED program – transferring schools
 - Mrs. Tijuana Powell passed away
 - Mari Condley is transferring to a middle school (Kilmer and another one)
 - Any plans for in-person instruction in the fall specific to VES? Too many unknowns right now. Right now still not going into the building unless needed. Custodian still checking on the building daily
 - Working on filling staff member vacancies
 - Concerns about class sizes with CDC social distancing guidelines? Yes. Having 30 students in a classroom will not be acceptable. Main concerns are safety of students and staff
 - Will additional teachers be needed and hired? Yes, we already need more teachers. The issue that comes with that is the cost
 - Considering modulars? Yes, we are limited by Town of Vienna. We think because of the pandemic the Town Council would work with us
 - Will there be similar teaching expectations for next year if learning goes remote? Not sure yet
 - If we do distance learning only, county is finding out what are the essential pieces of learning. Addressing the critical needs for education
 - Probably would do a waiver once again for SOLs
 - Will need to focus on the social/emotional piece
 - When we get more expectations, we will share them with the community
- VII. New Business
- Any update on kindergarten orientation? Nothing planned currently. No “bridge to kindergarten” camp
 - Concerned about developing teacher relationships with students when starting the year virtually
 - Extended school year for kids in special education? They are working on final pieces for ESY. Should have more to share later this month
 - Building open to retrieve belongings? Shelly is working on a schedule. Teachers will be packing everything up. In June, there will be a drive by (letter of the alphabet, etc.) – families to come pick up the materials, drop off library books, instruments
 - Next PTA meeting in early September. Please reach out with any questions
- VIII. Adjourned at 7:55pm