

David Lubin Parent Teacher Group (PTG)
General Membership Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2021 – 6:00 pm
Zoom video conference call

Present: Erin Brown (President), Mike Downey (Treasurer), Kate Buehler and Gillian Tarkington (Members-at-large), Lisa Ashley and Lesley Obrest (Members-At-Large Elect), Principal Richard Dixon, Jeannie Kane, Jane Hastings, Jennifer Baker, MaryAnne Williams, Rebecca Gross

Absent: Jazz Mixon (Vice President), Kit Adsetts (Secretary), Norma Hoss (Parliamentarian), Erin Powers Gomez (Member-at-large)

Welcome

Kate Buehler acting as Secretary for this meeting only.

Principal's Report: Principal Richard Dixon

- Recognition to the Garden Tour Committee for putting on a successful and unique version of our annual fundraiser. We are continually able to occupy a space for our school within the community. Also able to maintain sponsorships throughout the pandemic.
- Staff and Teachers began EPIC Program- Anti-Racism Inclusion Practice
 - Continued conversation regarding racial issues
 - Compassionate Dialogue
 - Module #1 completed
 - 3 hours individual asynchronous work + 1 hour deep dive as a group
 - Module #2 to be completed June 7th
 - Recommendation for parents and students to discuss learning with teachers
 - Program is NOT driven by SCUSD, it was chosen and supported by David Lubin leadership
 - Feeling that that test scores and learning opportunities may not have been as successful throughout the last year
 - This serves as an opportunity to do a different and necessary type of work, it is non-optional
 - Will continue training into next year
- Equity discussion with District and Mike Downey – conversations have continued in setting up a dialogue resources with SCUSD, will be planning a conversation starter meeting for Parents/Teachers/Staff/PTG members

President's Report: Erin Brown

- Presentation of 2021-2022 PTG Board (Introductions)
 - Co-Presidents – Jazz Mixon and Gillian Tarkington
 - Gillian: Parent of current Kinder, looking forward to participation, likes the fact that co-presidency will alleviate some pressure, great appreciation for David Lubin and Staff
 - Parliamentarian – Norma Hoss
 - Treasurer – Mike Downey
 - Parent of Clark (1) and Ramona (3), lives in Elmhurst, formerly was PTG Secretary, currently and Treasurer-elect
 - Secretary – Kit Adsetts
 - MAL – Kate Buehler, Caroline Dunivant, Lisa Ashley, Leslie Oberst
 - Kate: Parent of Viola (K) and Marvin (3), lives close to school and ready to participate/help wherever needed
 - Leslie: Parent of a 4th, 7th, and 11th graders, has been part of D.L. community for consecutive 12 years, has participated in PTG/Garden Tour committee off and on, looking forward to helping out where needed
 - Lisa: Parent to Ronan (K), new to school, very happy with D.L. philosophy, excited to join. Both her and husband, Gary, are photographers and have held a fundraiser, looking forward to continuing in the future, also working on Instagram page for social media content
- Garden Tour Update – Still time to watch AND donate!
 - Special Thanks to all those involved with all their hard work and dedication
 - Estimated donations at time of meeting- \$8500 with more coming from vendors and extended online donations
 - Leslie: question regarding current account status and if we are in a deficit financially. As per Mike, Treasurer, we are currently at \$127,000 in Checking and \$ 68,000 in Savings. Frugality in the past has allowed us to bank a savings that will allow for opportunities next year in regard to enrichment – Art, music, STEAM coordinator, LAX aids. Emphasis indicated to keep some of the normalcy of a traditional school year.
- Volunteer Opportunities
 - Gift Wrap Fundraiser – Lisa Ashley
 - Sarah Phillips has been in contact with Charleston Wrap – will communicate information
 - Jog-A-Thon/Read-A-Thon-Brooke Hunter/ ?
 - Still needing another Volunteer to Co-Sponsor
 - 1st Wednesday- Need a Volunteer to Lead
 - Erin Brown has reached out to Erin Powers Gomez to ask if she would like to continue, but has not heard a response

Enrichment Update: Art, Library, STEAM, Music

- Art: Ms. Jane – Clay distribution in progress
 - K, 1st, 6th will have designated tutorial (Snails/Sugar Skulls), all other grades will have recommended guidelines to follow
 - Teachers will be able to pick up clay from Art Room
 - Ms. Kane will be doing a reading of “Snail Trail”
 - 6th Grade portraits still in the works, trying to reach out to last year’s 6th grade graduates to complete project

- Library: Ms. Kane
 - Virtual Scholastic Book Fair (May 17-30)
 - Box Tops only brought in \$15
 - Little Free Library in front of the school coming soon!
 - There will be a costumed reading for the 4th graders – Sutter’s Fort
 - Emphasized importance on new marquee for the front of the school, will be looking into electricians and costs to come up with a proposal for PTG Budget meeting
 - Jennifer Baker, who works with retired teachers, can reach out to get donations of used books for the Library – will work with Ms. Kane to figure out logistics

- Music:
 - Ms. Hunt is definitely interested in returning in the Fall for in-person learning
 - Teachers show a concern with enrichment allocation – grade appropriate lessons and equity across classes
 - MaryAnne Williams will design a survey (for teachers) to structure enrichment programs, results of said survey will determine possible budget changes for next year

Fundraisers and Campus Updates: Erin Brown

- Mother’s Day Weekend Donation Drive update
 - Currently has raised \$8500 – waiting for wine and vendor donations
- Donations for the homeless
 - Mr. Scott has placed a bin in front of the school to accept any donations of can food, bottle water, gently used clothing, blankets or sleeping bags
- Box Tops-Keep it going over summer
- Amazon Smile-Keep it going over summer
- Farm Fresh To You-Keep it going over summer
- Garden Tour T-Shirts
 - Artwork needs to be provided
 - Suggestion that T-Shirts are postponed until next year, Fall preferably
 - Next year will be David Lubin’s 100th Anniversary
 - Suggestion to give 6th graders a supplemental gift (\$5 gift card) instead of a shirt because they have already received a DL shirt this year

MINUTES

- Sizing and dispersal to be incredibly difficult this late in the year
- Need to check with Garden Tour sponsors to see if they approve
- Recommendation of Vinyl banners on Fences to promote this years and last year's sponsors (Erin knows a printer)
- More value in promoting unity as a school when all students can participate in wearing the shirts, it would be wasted if not all could participate this year

Adjournment

- See you in September
- Meeting Adjourned