

Soaring Hawk Elementary School

PTO Meeting Agenda

Date: May 13, 2021 at 6:30 pm

Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm by Kimberly Kolbe



Welcome, President's Report, Kimberly Kolbe (15 minutes)

- Meeting Norms
- Robert's Rules of Order
- Thank you's
 - 6th Grade Celebration: Jamie Schmeets & Aurora Milstein
 - Staff Appreciation: Tami, Erin, Annaliese, Jamie Schmeets, Aurora Milstein, Stacy Cowen, Mr. Roberson and the front desk staff and so many parents donated food! We thank you very much for your donations!
 - Volunteers:
- Parent Survey - Several people would like to do more family activities and as things loosen up at school, we are excited to make a plan to do more things like this. We also got good feedback on fundraisers, we also had 100% support so far that communication is good for them at this time. About a 50-50 split want zoom and in school PTO meetings. We are still publishing this out to get more feedback.
- Volunteers – we need help! We are hoping to get parents that are coming into kindergarten to assist now but we need some committee members.
- PTO Committee Members
 - We need a treasurer! Annaliese will be taking a teaching position next year, so we need to fill her position. Everything is set up so this will be a very manageable job for someone busy. If interested, please let Kimberly know!
 - Conference dinners, donuts with dads, muffins with moms
 - Run for Funds
 - Light the Night
 - Staff appreciation
 - Teacher snack cart
 - Supply kits
 - Butter braids
 - Kristen Allen – spirit wear, flamingo flocking, and holiday shop plus yearbook! Thank you so much for helping Kristin!

Vice President's Report, Erin Finnin (3 minutes)

- Teacher Grants – wireless speakers from Amazon for the SSN room, good for K – 6, can reuse for several years, cost is \$24 yes – 10, no - 0
- Adapted book club – all students and this is reusable, create adaptive books, increase vocabulary yes - 10
- Star fall yes - 10

- Star fall.com membership yes - 10

Treasurer's Report, Kimberly Kolbe (3 minutes)

- Income:
 - Kroger: \$2250
- Expenses:
 - 6th Grade Signs: \$301
 - Teacher Appreciation Gift Cards: \$390
 - Castle Rock Zip Line Tours: \$500
- Surplus carried over to next school year – we will be carrying over around \$30,000 for next year. This includes \$20,000 for a shade structure. This won't cover the whole cost but we will continue to work on plans for that structure. If something comes up that we need to use this for we will talk that through. We can also talk through options of the type of shades. We will move this over and then we will discuss this at the start of the next school year. We will also share what we will use the new money earned from fundraising for next year. Because we haven't spent much this year it seems higher than normal but we will be spreading the money from fundraisers out through out the year for the new needs.

Secretary's Report, Tami Morling (1 minute)

- Approval of meeting minutes
- Supply Kits – these are ready, and some people are already ordering. Signs are out and we will continue to put this in the newsletter. Kimberly has the images for flyers to post on Facebook and we will be sending home paper flyers out as well.

Principal's Report (3 minutes)

- Thank you to the PTO for the Staff Appreciation Week and everything that was provided. The staff and teachers felt relaxed and well cared for! It was a boost for the home stretch of the year.
- Field day is coming up next Wednesday and we are hoping the weather will hold. Parents will not be invited this year because we are trying to protect everyone
- Continuation will be in person for Kindergarten and the 6th graders.
- Cohorts can be mixed up a little more now so we are ending the year with a little more normality
- This has been a tough year and we have learned a lot this year. There were implementations that were successful and they want to take those into next school year as well.
- Hiring interviews are going on right now and hires should be finalized very soon. Mr. Roberson is excited to have a male kindergarten teacher next year! All of the details will be in Mr. Roberson's report soon!

SAC Rport (3 minutes)

- The final meeting was this week and they met in person. They elected people for the open positions and this will start back up next school year.

Committee Report (1 minutes)

- Aurora / Jamie – Epic sign up: 97% are signed up! Yay! There will be a waiver that goes out to the parents and a sign up for items donated for the dinner. A parent needs to be on site so bring blankets, chairs and sit back on the field and relax!

Comments / Questions (5 minutes)

- Reflecting on this Year and Planning for Next Year – We survived! We made it through, parents, staff and teachers doing creative things to get through the year! For planning – we are still working on just a PTO newsletter going out on Monday's. We will be coming out with a calendar of events. We are planning a fairly normal year and make adjustments as needed. We will do a back to school celebration in person with food trucks, bouncy house with obstacles and things like that. We have discussed landscape help in a few places. We will be working on a plan for this over the summer and discuss at the start of next year.
- Open to comments – Mr. Roberson is looking forward to some TLC at the school and updating the curb appeal of the school. How can we get people to look beyond the mobiles or paint the mobiles and possible landscaping. These things help to advertise our school. Kristin Allen would like to see a focus on building back the community feeling and connection for our school parents and families. Coming out of this, it would be nice to make this a main theme for the school year – Building community. Ms. Kolojay, in reflecting on this year she believes that Kimberly is an incredible PTO president and what she brings to the role was really needed this year. Kristie Krier feels that this PTO committee is incredible. She would like us to do a video for the website to encourage people to join and help with school efforts. Kimberly Kilbe thanked the parents for coming to our meetings and helping out in all efforts!