Soaring Hawk Elementary School

PTO Meeting Minutes
Date: August 25, 2021
Meeting called to order at 6:34pm by Kimberly Kolbe

PTO Guidelines, Kimberly Kolbe (2 minutes)
• Meeting Norms – Kimberly read the meeting norms and reminded the attendees to remember that we are all volunteers on the board and would appreciate a respectful meeting with no discussions regarding the mask mandate
• Robert’s Rules of Order - We follow this process to keep the meeting running smoothly

Welcome, President’s Report, Kimberly Kolbe (10 minutes)
• Thank you’s – we decided to do virtual because according to our survey, zoom seemed overwhelmingly popular with parents so we will stick with that for now. Thank you to the Kristen Allen family! They worked very hard to do some landscaping work for us and moving rocks. The junipers are gone now from front and there are flowers and plants in their place. Thank you to Aurora Milstein for all of her hard, creative work in the staff lounge. Thank you to so many that helped by donating drinks to the staff lounge. Thank you to Kit Kolbe for all of the work he did on the staff lounge.
• Back to School Bash – Building Community Together. We kicked off our new theme with the Bash
• Hawk Hustle – We normally bring in about $20,000 but we decreased this goal last year because of Covid and this year we kept that amount because our enrollment is down. Parents are welcome to come tomorrow to cheer their child on for the Hawk Hustle. Just come straight to the back. We appreciate those parents that have offered to volunteer to pass out bracelets during the run.
• School Improvements – SHE is an amazing school but it is showing some wear and tear and needs a little love. We will have some sign ups coming up where we need some help from SHE families. It is a big job but will help to freshen up our school. We will work on some things inside as well in the future.

Vice President’s Report, Erin Finnin (5 minutes)
• Spirit Nights – These are set up for the rest of the year. Smart Cow was in August and Parry’s Pizza will be in September.
• Family Nights – These are get-togethers that are just fun and a way for us to continue our mission of building community. These are not fundraisers but there might be a cost associated depending on what we are doing. Many of these will be free to attend. Code Ninja is offering a parent’s night out – Sept 18th and Dec 4th. We might do more the rest of the school year. There are limits on how many students can attend.
• Teacher Grants – this went out to staff today and we will have 2 submittals for this school year. One each semester and there are deadlines associated with each time.
• Reminder of the Facebook page – all of the PTO Spirit nights and Family nights will be highlighted here. This is called “Soaring Hawk Elementary School Castle Rock Colorado”

**Treasurer’s Report, Kimberly Kolbe (20 minutes)**
- Budget Approval – Kimberly put a motion to vote on budget approval, Erin motioned to accept the budget. Kristin seconded the motion. 13 yes
- Vote on New Treasurer – Chrissy Howard (parents & staff members with kids at SHE) – Chrissy introduced herself and her background and happy to become treasurer. The board nominates her for the position of treasure, 12 yes

**Secretary’s Report, Tami Morling (1 minute)**
- PTO Newsletter – Is sent out every Monday, includes the calendar
  This gets sent out through the school Smore’s account. Sending it this way ensures that we don’t break the privacy policy because we do not have access to the details of the distribution list.

**Principal’s Report (2 minutes)**
- Thank the PTO for the lounge and the landscaping that has been done. It’s more inviting and clean! We had a great back to school night and are able to have parents and volunteers back in the building. We are focused on educating the kids and not the other things that are beyond our control. Our teachers and staff do an incredible job of placing the focus on education.
- Kristie Krier will be running with the kids tomorrow at Hawk Hustle!

**Committee Report (2 minutes)**
- Hawk Hustle – Kimberly Kolbe
- Spirit Wear – Kristin Allen – all orders are placed and going out to production. The deliveries will be done and then we will bring back Spirit Wear Fridays

**Comments / Questions (3 minutes)**

Question on money from admin and
Reminder about the first SAC meeting – Sept 7th at 4 in the library
Motion to adjourn