

Family Center PTO Meeting

April 27, 2022

Attendees

- Liz Florek (co-president)
- Alison Yee (co-president)
- McKenzie Walter (secretary)
- Debbie Reilly (Director of Family Center)
- Julie Gulickson
- Shannon Davis
- Michelle Snyder
- Lauren Hamburg
- Betty Bayer
- Deanna Palagallo

Welcome and Intros (Alison and Liz)

- Introductions for new faces
- PTO overview

Budget Update (Amy Jennings)

- Not over budget in any area
- Very careful to not overspend with pandemic years
- Should bring in more funds with fundraiser coming up
- Do not have secured funding for scholarships next year yet
- Have some left over from previous year - Debbie will follow up after school year

Teacher Appreciation (Shannon)

- Trivia night for last event of the year
- Virtual trivia - week of teacher appreciation
- Cupcakes
- Classrooms have been very generous

Parkers Table (Alison and Liz)

- Have done social events with them before but trickier with Covid
- Gift baskets this year with funds going back to the FC
- Trying to publicize more this year, will put on Instagram
- Mother's Day themed baskets this year
- Alison will give eblasts to Stephanie soon

Popsicles on the Playground (Alison and Liz)

- Hosted by PAT, using it as an opportunity to reach out about PTO info to anyone who wants to know more
- Two high school volunteers interested in coming to do hand painting for the event
- 83 families signed up

- Upper / lower playground and nature trail
- Excited to offer a fun event for the kids

2022-2023 Board Positions

- Very grateful for new volunteers
- Will make connections to current members to facilitate transition
- President still open

PAT Report (Debbie Reilly)

- We have been very proud to serve about 150 families and 170 children so far this year. Our PAT team, Jani Holyan, Beth Shook and Kelli McGill have completed over 300 personal visits with families.
- We have also offered group connections, both virtual and in-person.
 - Sept. 25 Family Dance Party
 - Dec. 3 Dec 9: FC PTO Book Fair
 - Nov. 4 From Picky to Pleasant (nutrition)
 - Feb. 3 Diapers to Underpants
 - Feb. 14 Share the Love Bags
 - April 21 Connections & Conversations (CK-L let a conversation with parents)
 - April 23 Helmet Safety Check
 - April 26 and 3 sessions in May Stay, Play and Learn Pop-Ups on the Playground
 - May 16 Popsicles on the Playground
- We also provided District families with developmental screenings and linked families to resources in our community. And something you may not know: We have also provided a wide umbrella of support for families new to America.
- This program is available to **all** District families. We are proud and grateful that this important District service continues to be supported by our stakeholders and remains free for all families.
- How you can help us: Please get the word out about this service!

Directors Report (Debbie Reilly)

- Change in mask policy - been great
 - Some staff still wearing masks
 - Kids understand
- Teachers received a grant for composting
- Kidzone materials received
- Principals visiting each school observing in classrooms; enjoyed seeing the learning
- Many teachers reached milestones this year; will celebrate in Forest Park next week

New Business

- None

Closing (Alison and Liz)

- Next meeting May 18th