Family Center PTO Meeting Minutes: 11-18-2020

Attendees: Alison Yee, Liz Florek, Debbie Reilly, (PTO Council Representative), Michelle Snyder, Julie Gulickson, Amy Jennings, Betty Bayer, Shannon Davis, Allie Price, Greg Gunst

Welcome (Liz Florek & Alison Yee):

Budget Update (Amy Jennings): No Budget update; balance is \$42k. Waiting on small amounts to be processed.

Art to Remember (Amy Jennings): Unofficial deadline has passed. Only one order has been made thus far. We earn a percentage of sales, last year we earned about \$300. Amy will find out what the deadline is to receive items in time for Holiday orders and then we will send an eblast.

Teacher Appreciation (Betty Bayer): Betty dropped off the virtual Yoga class flyers to all teachers today. The class is December 1, 2pm. Betty is brainstorming ideas for a December event.

Book Fair (Shannon Davis & Betty Bayer): The book fair is confirmed for 12/7-12/13 at the Novel Neighbor. There is a donation button on the Novel Neighbor website but it's an open field, not a \$10 or \$20 option to select as previously discussed. There is no code, individuals have to include "Family Center" in the comments section to be included in the fundraiser. Figure out how to best communicate this detail so people are aware. There are age appropriate suggested books on the landing page, with 10-20 books per age group. Add communication for what \$10/\$20 will cover. Eblast save the date will be sent on 12/6. Eblast on M W F. Betty has planned 7 small activities - 2 story times online; 5 'challenges'. How do we keep it on people's radar but not overwhelm them with communications? A coloring page with 7 snowballs - each has a reading challenge for the preschoolers that are winter themed, etc; 2 are storytimes that Betty will record. Phone call method to tell people about the book fair? Record video? Shannon & Betty will decide which method. Will send save the date eblast on Friday, 11/20. The teachers will be able to choose their own book picks at the Novel Neighbor post fundraiser.

Director's Report (Debbie Reilly): First virtual PAT event - biscuits and jam; 15 people participated. The morning drop off locations have been rotated to give children a new experience. December 7th will switch again. Virtual music class has been going well. In January Metro Theater will join in 3-5yr old programs virtually; Roxanne has had success doing virtual classes during the pandemic. Superintendent search: there has been outreach for surveys from teachers, administrators and parents to provide feedback as to what we're looking for in a Superintendent. Please provide feedback - Family Center parents are the parents of the youngest learners of the district and have the most to gain.

New Business: None

Closing (Liz Florek & Alison Yee): Next meeting Wednesday, January 20