Family Center PTO Meeting Minutes 2-19-2021

Attendees: Alison Yee, Liz Florek, Debbie Reilly, Michelle Snyder, Julie Gulickson, Betty Bayer, Shannon Davis

Welcome (Liz Florek & Alison Yee):

Budget Update (Liz Florek): Amy Jennings (Treasurer) unable to attend so update will be limited. We received a payout of \$88.45 from the Emily Press Labels fundraiser. This fundraiser is ongoing and Alison will check into auto-renewal. We will plan to promote this again before summer.

Teacher Appreciation (Betty Bayer): Dinner and movie baskets were a huge hit and greatly appreciated by the teachers. Shannon suggested an idea of a local food box or treat for another teacher appreciation event. Betty will explore this idea further as a potential for teacher appreciation week in May.

Outreach (Liz Florek): Anne Handley-Fierce (Outreach Chair) is unable to attend but sent an update. The Oatmeal Drive with Operation Food Search is scheduled for March 1-5. Operation Food Search's driver will drop off 8 wheeled barrels on Thursday 2/25 between 1 and 3 pm. The driver will return for the barrels and oatmeal on Tuesday 3/9, also between 1 and 3 pm. Our goal is 600 pounds of oatmeal. Anne will get a few email blasts ready and sent to Allie Price (Communications) for scheduling. Maintenance will be able to transport one or two barrels to the high school. There are secure mailboxes outside the Upper and Lower level entrances. We can use these for people to drop off and should suggest in the eblast they label an envelope with their money or check with "PTO". The highschool does not have a mailbox; the teachers will have a folder available for parents at dropoff/pickup. parents should also label envelopes with "PTO".

Spring Fundraiser (Liz Florek & Alison Yee): Alison, Liz, and Anne have been exploring restaurant partnership fundraisers including California Pizza Kitchen, Panera Bread, Potbelly Sandwich Shop, Peel Woodfired Pizza, Chicken Out, and Parker's Table. While all good options, the group consensus was to get more details from Parker's Table as we have a long-standing relationship with them a and would like to continue to support their small business. Debbie suggested that perhaps they could do date night baskets etc to make it more exciting. Anne is waiting for more details from Parker's Table. Liz and Alison will stay in touch with the PTO via email or we will discuss at the next meeting.

Director's Report (Debbie Reilly): A big thank you again for the teachers appreciation dinner and movie baskets. The staff have been doing a Racial Equity Challenge where they are reading, listening and watching resources regarding racial literacy. Staff is broken into cohorts and they reflect and share on what they have learned, examine biases, and discuss. It has been a challenging and rewarding experience. The challenge will conclude on February 26.

New Business: None

Closing (Liz Florek & Alison Yee): No March meeting. Next meeting Wednesday, April 14, 2021