

Clark Elementary PTO DRAFT Meeting Agenda September 14, 2020, 5:00 pm Virtual

1. Welcome/Introductions – Signe Clayton (Joey Conover, President, will be arriving late)
 - a. Clark Interim Principal – Welcome Dr. Thomas! (Meet Your Administrators)
2. Interim Principal Dr. Kaye Thomas / Vice Principal Tillman Update

S. Clayton: Silver lining: students will learn new skills by learning through this medium

Dr. Thomas: Lots of hard work over summer and work days are paying off, especially by Mr. Tillman and Ms. Anderson in the office.

Mr. Tillman: Academic struggle is important and kids are becoming more independent. Division still working on hotspots and other tech/accessibility issues for students and teachers.

Parents: Thankful for work being done. Thankful for Mr. Tillman's thoughtful, fun morning announcements.
3. Administrative Issues:
 - a. Review and Approval of Minutes: August 10, 2020 Approved
 - b. PTO Officer Elections – Vice President Still Open for Nominations
 - c. Treasurer's Report (Amanda Ohlms): 2020-2021 Budget and a few more checks have come in.
<https://www.clarkbeespto.org/support> Catherine will check links/instructions and post to PTO's Facebook page.
Joey will put a donate link more prominently on the website, too.
 - d. PTO Bylaws – need volunteer to edit draft – any attorneys?? **No one volunteered.**
 - e. Virtual PTO Meetings – Ability to live stream and record on Google, Zoom, Facebook 37 views from recorded July meeting on YouTube, so perhaps since more people watched than attended, we should look into recording (including getting permission from attendees). Approved, cautiously. Also, streaming approved.
4. Updates
 - a. 5K - Buzz By Belmont Family Fun Run/Walk Oct 9-12
Fri/Sat/Sun/Mon. The usual route will be marked with blazes with the race logo. Sponsorships are pretty successful. Main goal is for a positive, community-building event. Signe made a promotional video and flyer. The website has registration, volunteer sign-up, link to donate for people who won't run.
 - b. Directory – CCS Technical Support Specialist is sending an excel list. Joey will add to Mail Chimp. How can we share with parents to facilitate social connection outside of school?
Goals for increased student-student engagement and parent-parent engagement. T. Morris explained Facebook Kids Messenger and its benefits (parental supervision). Dr. Thomas will look into a Central Office contact and lawyer she could ask.
Other methods can provide this student-student engagement, too: lunch bunch by Mrs. Welch(Tatby), Garden Club
 - c. Equipment: Need to order play equipment – PTO approved spending \$2,000 on 8/10/2020.
Joey has been working with Dr. Thomas and Mr. P on this.
 - d. Fundraising

- i. Needs:
 - New committee started and we need a parent rep.
 - Normally PTO gives \$4000 to fund mini grants that teachers submit.
 - Dr. Thomas requests that PTO funds focus on family needs because other school funds can cover instructional needs.
 - 1. School Needs: library bags, school supplies, art supplies
 - 2. Family Needs: internet access, childcare, home desks, diverse book collection, headphones
 - Any projects that admin approves that can support virtual learning now can be funded by PTO, up to \$5000 total. Approved.
- ii. Options
 - 1. Family Run/Walk tickets
 - 2. CCS PTO Fund - Clark Future Funds Advisory Committee needs Parent, Teacher, Admin, and Equity Council volunteers. Tentative meeting Tuesday, Sep 15, 4pm
 - 3. Donors Choose
 - 4. CACF Clark Educational Opportunity Fund – reserve balance
 - 5. Other
- e. Garden: Cultivate Charlottesville – Sarah Wayne
 - Garden Club, being recruitment has started in Friendship Court.
 - Sep 28 - Nov 4, Mon & Wed afternoon at UACC Garden at Friendship Court
 - Registration required
 - Water and snacks provided
 - Maintain social distancing, wear face masks
- f. Teacher Appreciation: Water bottles for start of school. Going forward?
- 5. Volunteer Needs
 - a. Garden weeding
 - b. Clark Future Funds Advisory Committee
 - c. Socially Distant Meetup after school hours?? 4-5pm K-Mon, 1st-Tues, 2nd-Wed, 3rd-Thur, 4th-Fri
 - Needs to be clearly not-Clark-sponsored, set mask-wearing norms, no building access
- 6. Question and Answer Session – Open to All
 - Brainstorming about ways to give students ways to interact socially - lunchtime lunch groups, young men's group, art show, etc...
- 7. Adjourn

Upcoming Events:

- Clark Admin Q&A Virtual Google Meet TBD
- Virtual CCS School Board Thursday, Oct 1, 5:00 pm
- Buzz By Belmont Family Fun Run/Walk Oct 9-12
- PTO Virtual Google Meet Monday, Oct 12, 5:30pm

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