



PTO MEETING AGENDA

Date: Monday, April 9, 2018
Time: 6:00 – 7:30

– Call to Order:

Welcome/Introductions: State name and student's name and grade

**Attendance: Six parents and Mr. Ross*

Fair Crystal PTO Purpose:

**Tony and Devrae Hudson (Co- Presidents)*

**Purpose: To support equity and arts in achievement and engagement in the Fair School Community*

– Culturally Relevant Grant Update

There were 3 teachers awarded this grant totaling around \$1200 for books for classroom libraries.

Grantst were awarded to: Mari McCauley, (Books) Kaye Ann Mason (Books)and Peter Weimer (Books)

***Scholastic Book Fair Update – Toni Knorr**

BOGO book fair coming in May – 3rd book fair of the year

Sales have declined—maybe it's because we changed locations – perhaps there aren't as many classes visiting the book fair

Thursday, May 10 – Friday, May 18

We are in need of volunteers -- Toni will create a sign up genius

Toni has graciously committed to being the lead of the Scholastic Book Fair

6:30 p.m. *Moving Forward – Planning for next year

President and Leadership team

Devrae will reach out to 4th/5th grade teachers to see if they know of any parents that are willing to lead PTO moving forward.



-Committees

Fundraising Committee

Stages Fundraiser – We need a lead

Devrae will contact Nikki to secure date for the Holiday fundraiser. The team should plan to meet once in September for the event in November. The holiday show is Mary Poppins.

Lead: Toni Knorr

***Book Fair** - Fall Conferences, Spring Conferences, and May BOGO

Staff Appreciation Committee

*Staff Appreciation breakfast or lunch)– Devrae will reach out for volunteers to help with a staff appreciation breakfast or lunch

*Dinner for Staff during Conferences – **looking for a LEAD**

Other business from Mr. Ross

Mr. Ross update

For next school year we will only have two 4th grade classrooms – we will lose one classroom because of enrollment

Mr. Ross thanks PTO for their support

Mr. Ross had a meeting with Crayola where they go out and teach teachers how to integrate the arts into the classroom – we are trying to get them to use our building as a site – we do have PD money that can train our teachers – it's a year long training

Mr. Ross – How do we bring energy into the school?

The leadership team believes that we need arts integration

PBIS grant – We were awarded at \$2,000 grant – We can use this to help with discipline and award

Graves foundation – We will get this \$15,000 grant for residencies

Award programs – We will send correspondence to parents soon – planning to have a banquet and awards program – there will be medallions and roses



Various types – academic and most improved – Mr. Ross is in the believing that we don't do enough with rewarding kids for positive behavior. He has a plan for many different types of awards for the students.

**PTO will support the awards program*

Teacher Resignation

A letter went out today and two 7th grade teachers have resigned. We are in the process of finding teachers to replace these teachers.

He is still looking for a ceramics teachers – he has been searching since January

Timeline for Robbinsdale Area Schools

From Mr. Ross - Based on the money I have I can only afford a certain number of positions – every principal has to decide on what positions they will have. We are fortunate we are not going to have to cut many of our positions.

Some arts offerings may change –stay tuned and reach out to Mr. Ross if you have questions about staffing for the 2018-19 school year.

****Mr. Ross shared data around the students that are enrolled at Fair Crystal.**

Fall Orientation 2018

For next school year Mr. Ross would like to do a fall orientations with the students – Mr. Ross shared what he has done in his other buildings to get kids ready for school.

Ms. Reiter – Assistant Principal will be getting married and moving to southern Minnesota.

Parent Involvement Day Breakfast

We had **95 parents participate in** the parent involvement day breakfast on February 23, 2018.

Student Ambassador Group – 6-8th grade

They would like to put together a 6th/7th grade dance – Mr. Ross is reaching out to teachers to help with supporting the dance – Mr. Ross meets with these students – this group meets with Mr. Ross on Tuesdays. This group would like to do a student forum

8th grade Celebration – Ms. Ehlert

We will be looking for parent volunteers to help with the evening event.

