

Mars Area Elementary PTO Minutes February 1, 2022

President's Report

- Upcoming dates:
 - o Centennial Talent Show rehearsals Feb.1 /Show Fri. February 25 time TBD
 - o PC Spring Party -Friday Feb. 11, AM Kinder 9:30-10:30, PM KINDER /1st 1:15-2:15
 - o MAE Feb. 14 Staggered times announced
 - o Centennial Science Fair Registration by 2/16 for the fair on 3/10 6-8:15
 - o Twos Day – Tuesday Feb. 22 Ties, Tiaras, Tutus & Tie-Dye, & Canned food collection

Presidents Notes

Thanked Amber Rush for setting up Talent Show, while recovering from surgery, contact parents committee, Sarris Candy committee, Yearbook Committee, Book Fair Chairs, and Spiritwear parents, Science fair chairs, World Record Day chairs, and teacher luncheon chairs, Thank you to Jennifer Bainbridge and Emily Wiley for stepping in to help at MAE luncheon. PTO always pulls together! Thank you to exec board for organizing Twos Day. Google vote due to time constraints to approve purchase of pencils. Vote approved 33 yes and 1 No. Jennifer Logan and Jenna recently met with principals and teacher reps to go over ideas they have for the large donation pto has offered to the schools. Jennifer is also working on revamping the Teachers' lounges and getting wish list set up so we thank her for all of her hard work.

January Minutes approved

Treasures Report: Close to achieving budget, starting to pay our field trips, overall looking good.

Principals Report: Mr. Sleeva update on jumprope heart health event, teacher conferences are being scheduled, teacher feature for the month is Miss Bjalobok

Mr. K: Spring Party 3/25, Talent show 2/25, Parents are invited if their child is participating, Science fair will be in the gym, kids will design 6th grade shirt, working on ideas for spending pto donation.

Mr. Lape: Met with Nicole regarding science fair, 3/16 science fair in the High School Gym, will be meeting with parents to discuss how the event will go.

Teacher Liaison: Kiley Shine, committee for donation money is very productive, working on a ranking order for each building, meetin 2/1. Teachers are blown away at the idea of updated lunch room. Thank you!

Talent Show: 2/1 first rehearsal. Amber working hard after surgery any and all help appreciated.

Yearbook: Sales are up. Flyers went out. Presale until 3/13

Sarris Candy: Online only now thru 4/10 covers Valentine's Day & St. Patirck's Day

Contact Parents: No one present

Notes: Scan in advance, set up reading challenge at PC, secretary setting up volunteer read across America, must be green level

Centennial Spring Dance: Chrisi Harrison:

Not impressed with DJ, looking for other options, suggestions welcome.

Ideas include: Theme night, magic act, Weird Eric, etc. All ideas welcome.

TWOS DAY: 2/22/222 Jennifer Logan: Flyers sent out, Ties, Tiaras, Tutus, Tie-Dye, 2 cans donated.

Discussed how the day will be structured with can collection and pick up.

Cans will be collected Friday 2/25, Pencils and flyer will be delivered to teachers mailboxes

Spritwear: 2/21 ONLINE only sale, 6th grade tshirt contest must be hand drawn & not computer, staff tshirts delivered, delivery for online sale will be before Easter.

Science Fair: No one present: updates include working on choosing judges and mars robotics demo

Dates for fairs 3/10 Cennennial 3/16 MAE

Teacher Lounge: Jennifer Logan working on registry with Mrs. Shine. Volunteers needed to set up. Excited to do this for the teachers.

Book Fair: MAE confirmed 3/14-3/18 students will shop again in library, good amount of books to choose from, working on volunteer link

Field Trips: 3/1 to submit clearances, moving along smoothly, Covid concerns minimal, Heinz Field holding check until closer to date.

Amy Rodgers updated on kindergarten firehouse field trip is on track

Facebook post to remind parents/families to submit clearances.

Discussion about field trip student tshirts

Teacher Luncheon: Principal confirmed dates, meetin to organize is planned

5/4 PC, 5/6 MAE, 5/7 CENT

Holiday Shop: Discussion on changing vendor pros and cons, discussion on previewing items, google vote by 3/31 on possible changes.

Open Forum: Olympic Fun Day questions and direction on help and organization. Dates 5/23-25