

CDSP General Meeting Minutes Zoom Meeting May 14, 2020, 3pm

In attendance: Julie Best, Sara Parent, Catherine Piorkowski, Shelley Sheridan, Carol Kennedy, Robin Nelson, Stacey Tie, Amy Daniels, Jenn Sherman, Adrienne Kelly, Alex Hall, Amy Zerbe, Ashley Hinchman, Belinda Fang, Beth Jacobs, Beth Morgan, Byrne Pozzi, Caroline Comfort, Christy Byczek, Cristi Mohr, Crystal Hill, Ellen Abbott, Gina Gromelski, Joan Kanlian, Joanna Walsh, Kadi Lublin, Kelly Dupont, Kelly Scallon, Lindsey DeVito, Lisa Cerussi, Lori Olson,Marian Cope, Marina Carey, Mekhala Attonito, Michael Burke, Cristina Boudo, Katie Stein, Mia Mihopoulos, Kristen Fiodali, Kimberly Rose, Tara Ochman, Stefanie Disai, Alan Addley, Jill McCammon

Meeting called to order by Sara Parent at 3:02.

Vote to approve the minutes of April 16, 2020 by StaceTie; seconded by Amy Daniels.

Budget Discussion:

Update on timeline: Board of Finance to meet today at 5 pm. Messaging from the Board of Finance is that they are unlikely to be in favor of a non-lapsing account.

BOF chairman had some criticism of CDSP communication to parents. Discussed messaging, whether our organization should craft a specific response, and revisited communication as it aligns with mission.

Administration has indicated that items they are proposing for reduction include a reduction of library supervision at MMS, eliminating 3rd grade strings program, elimination of freshman sports among others.

Board of Education members have expressed an interest in keeping student experiences the same.

Co-Chair Update:

Ox Ridge Building Committee Update: Kadi Lublin reported on the building committee meeting held May 14th. The phasing of the project will be revised; the existing building will not be demolished until the new building is built. This will mean that ELP with not be able to occupy the space until the project is complete.

eLearning update: Dr. Addley indicated that school will look different at the beginning of next year based on what they know about state guidance. He asked for input should elearning be a component of learning in the Fall. Most feedback was focused around elementary schools; in general, parents feel that younger kids need more live 'meet' experiences and that teachers need to clarify what their 'office hours' are to provide academic instruction.

Vote for CDSP 2020-21 slate, donations, and CDSP 2020-21 budget: Documentation was sent out prior to the meeting. Survey Monkey will be open through the end of the weekend. [Results can be found here.

<u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1pB-ihtQ0TCGbbmvLsSj2ONsYrFo-5EU4/view?usp=sharing</u> Budget, Slate, and Parent Awareness passed unanimously; One abstention for Music for Youth; remaining in favor.]

School Updates

- *Royle:* Did PTO handoff and virtual vote for new slate. Teacher appreciation included an online slideshow and Starbucks Gift cards.
- *Hindley*: Virtual K orientation. Teachers will be doing a goodbye slideshow; Continue to provide elearning support for parents.
- *Holmes:* Graduation slideshow; working on 'drive by' ceremony for 5th graders with balloon arch.
- Ox Ridge: Still sponsoring school-wide 'Hoot.' Running a virtual author's visit. Holding a 'field day' marathon.
- *Tokeneke:* Passed their board over on 5/13. Provided digital presents for Teacher Appreciation Day. Trying to organize a virtual game night to take the place of 5th grade Bingo Night. Organizing 'drive by' step up ceremony.

- MMS: Working on getting a date for 8th grade step up. Ceremony details undetermined.
- *DHS:* Lawn signs in the yards of Seniors. Organizing an "Adopt a Senior' event. Possible t-shirts for seniors. Planning on a diploma pick up ceremony but would like to do an in-person even during the summer if possible.

Officer Updates

Special Education: Reminder to PTO chairs to check in with SE reps when discussing 'whole school' events. There will be one more subcommittee meeting.

Treasurer: Anne was not present but all remains static with CDSP budget.

Community Outreach: Shelley reported that local non-profits are creating masks for those in need.

New Business

We will hold a June meeting but it will, most likely, be moved from June 11 to the week before so it does not conflict with step-up/graduation activities.

Motion to adjourn at 4:49. Stacey Tie, first; Adrienne Kelly, second.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Piorkowski, Secretary.