



## **CDSP General Meeting**

**June 10, 2021 9:15 a.m.**

**38 Red Rose Circle, Darien**

**In attendance:** Lori Olson, Julie Best, Sarah Madson, Jennifer Sherman, Leila Buckjune, Belinda Fang, Joanna Walsh, Tiffany O'Connor, Amy Daniels, Kadi Lublin, Jennifer Morici, Ellen Abbott, Beth Jacobs, Gina Gromelski, Kelly LeSage, Shannon Keefe, Vickie Coghlin, Catherine Piorkowski, Yesim Cil Sukhrani, Carol Kennedy, Stacey Tie

Meeting called to order by Lori Olson at 9:41 a.m.

Vote to approve the minutes of May 13th, 2021 by Julie Best. Passed unanimously.

### **Co-Chair Update:**

- BOE Meeting on June 8th - New hires for Hindley and Tokeneke were announced. DHS block scheduling that was implemented for Covid will continue next year. Open Ends are still in question. A busing survey will go out in July and they expect to approach busing as Opt-In or out with a 72 hour rule to opt back in. Contact tracing is still expected for Fall as not all students will be old enough to be vaccinated. Remote learning will be available only for those in quarantine. Vaccinated children do not need to quarantine, just monitor if exposed. The Vision of a Graduate video was rolled out. This was begun with a survey to the entire town. Redefining what success means. It will now be in the implementation stage. There are roles for both the PTO and CDSP to help drive this forward. It will also be tied to the strategic plan.
- End of Year Memo - A copy is being worked on and will be shared with everyone. This is both a review of the past year and a forward look. It will be sent to both the BOE and Administration in early Summer, before the BOE retreat. Please send any ideas to Julie and Lori.
- 21/22 PTO/CDSP Contact list - A google doc will be shared out. Please input your school's contacts.
- Donations - A reminder that schools still need to issue a check to the Darien Foundation for the 20/21 school year.

### **Action Item: VOTE TO APPROVE 21/22 CDSP Budget:**

- Vote on 2021/22 CDSP Budget - Passed Unanimously

### **Officer Updates:**

•*Nominating*: If you are rolling off your position and would still like to remain involved please consider the CDSP Budget Co-Chair role. Please reach out to Jennifer Morici with any names of individuals who may be interested.

•*Special Projects*: The DEI group will continue to meet over the summer. Please partner with them as they would like to hit the ground running in the Fall. Please bring any feedback, ideas or concerns to Jennifer Sherman.

•*Special Education*: The Special Education committee met regarding the opportunities around having new Assistant Principals. Please email Kadi with any new Special Education representatives.

### **School Updates:**

- *Hindley*: Step up is next week. Will have fun activities for the kids. Ordered popsicles from Nutrislice for field day. Will be hosting a Mom's Night at Mathers Barn.
- *Holmes*: Will be holding a "Sunny Sendoff" for teachers, students, and staff. Will have an activity every day next week. Cafe Bon truck, Land's End beach towels and Sunglasses for the teachers. Will also be sending teachers home with a grateful jar from their students. Held a successful Mom's Night out last week. It was the first in person event of the year. There were about 55 attendees.
- *Tokeneke*: Holding a virtual Spring Fling. Talent show, auction baskets. 5th grade step up was very successful. Each child had a chance to speak. The PTO held an event for Mary's retirement at Tokeneke.
- *DHS*: Prom was very successful. It was the first time it's been held under a tent. Held a very successful LGBTQ coffee. There were productive and specific ideas of what changes they would like to see. T-shirts were given to each senior from the Administration.

### **New Business:**

- Thank you to all! It was a tough year, but our jobs were really important. This year the PTO was some of the only touch points for parents. Everyone really went above and beyond and we are so grateful and appreciative of you all.

Motion to adjourn by Lori Olsen at 10:40 am. First, Stacey Tie. Second, Julie Best

Respectfully submitted by Carol Kennedy, Secretary.