

## LSM PTO Meeting Notes -Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm

Present: Tammy Wills, Julia Jespersen, Susan McParker, Melissa Murray, Julie Fogel, Kimberly Young, Eric Johnson, Laura Eber

Secretary Report (Susan McParker) Last month's minutes were approved by Laura Eber, seconded by Kimberly Young

Principal Report (Principal Murray) Principal Murray talked about finishing the first few days of having students back in the building. The drop-off and staging areas are going great with students entering and exiting through different doors. Students have been really respectful of mask expectations.

The enrollment window for intra-district transfers is Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> through the end of April. Staffing for next year will start in the next few weeks and some cuts are anticipated due to a district shortfall of \$4 million. There was discussion about how many CRVA students will return to Lincoln next year. CRVA will be attached to Polytechnic next year. Students registered for electives for next year. The 3 middle schools in the district are working on aligning their schedules so that their minutes of instruction align, as well as their electives. The goal is to have school alignment by the fall of 2022.

Treasurer Report (Eric Johnson)

There is \$3237 in the bank. There have been few teacher requests this year. Many requests in the past have been fieldtrips and those are not happening this year. There are Kwik Trip cards available in the office, and they won't expire until December.

Old Business

**Fundraising/ Community Building:**

Discussion was about a **community dinner/ BBQ**. Fred from Press Break had gotten back to us, and we will follow up about dates (May 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup>). Discussion was had about the possibility of setting up a website to take orders. The caterer for the dinner would set up at the school, likely in the front bay where there is access to electricity and water, but not inside the building. Families could stop by, and pick up their meal to take home.

There was discussion about the **discount cards** that were sold last year as a fundraiser. It might make a good kick off for next year. There was not interest in doing a **Boon catalog** fundraiser this year.

**Teacher Support:**

Since it will take time for the staff to transition to being back in the building, it was decided to push back a teacher support event.

New Business

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration:**

Last year it was completely virtual. Hopefully there will be more known by spring break. There were locations brainstormed, such as Myrick or Weigent Park, or at school outside. The celebration is scheduled for June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6-7pm and is typically followed by refreshments and 8th grade only mixer.

DWP Report (Laura Eber)

Laura shared that at the recent DWP meeting at the beginning of the meeting when often it is recognized that the land that the school district is on is historically Ho-Chunk land, this month the city's anti-black history including being a sundown town. Black student leaders from Logan High School shared about microaggressions they face such as people wanting to touch their hair, or being seen for the color of their skin before the person they are. School lessons seem to focus on White and Roman history, and it would be good to be more diverse. A starting place might be to bring in speakers or movies for students, parents or staff. The showcase was Hamilton Elementary who shared about being a community school and working towards integrated services. Needs assessments were discussed.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am  
Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Susan McParker.