**2020-2021 PPE PTO General Meeting Minutes, May 11, 2021**

A general meeting of the PPE PTO was held virtually on Tuesday, May 11, 2021.

The meeting convened at 6:05 pm. Co-Presidents Kass Benchoff and Ginny Dolezal presided.

**I. Welcome and Call to Order:**

Dr. Young began by thanking everyone for coming and turned the meeting over to Nahed Zehr.

**II. Board Nominations Slate:**

Nahed Zehr presented the proposed slate of officers for next year. She explained that the school community had been solicited for nominations and that a committee had worked hard to create a slate from those nominations. The slate is:

* Nahed Zehr – President
* Katie Agnew – Vice President
* Caroline Edwards – Secretary
* John Markham – Treasurer
* Andrea Rothe – Asst. Treasurer
* Megan Callendar – Fundraising Chair
* Christie Boyd – Asst. Fundraising Chair
* Chris Bradshaw – Communications Chair

The proposed slate was put to a vote. Of the 28 members in attendance, 23 voted and all voted in favor. A record of the vote is attached.

**III. Proposed Budget:**

* Geoff Watson presented the proposed budget, walking through it from a high level.
* The proposed budget was put to a vote. Of the 28 members in attendance, 23 voted in favor and 1 voted against. The budget passed. A record of the vote is attached.

**IV.  Other Announcements:**

* Dr. Young thanked everyone for coming and offered particular thanks to the outgoing board members, some of who stepped up to fill leadership gaps during this extraordinary year.
* Friday, May 14 will be the last day the kids must wear SSA, and after that each day will have its own theme, selected by auction winners.
* Unicycle collections will begin next week.
* Field Day will be May 20 and 21.
* The 4th grade is beginning its week-long house competition events and the kids have been really excited about this.
* The 4th grade promotion ceremony will be on May 24th.
* Congratulations to Mrs. Hartsock, Percy Priest’s Teacher of the Year!

**V. Preventing Summer Slide:**

Mrs. Ramsey gave a presentation about technology resources available to students over the summer, including:

* Laptops may be kept over the summer (or they may be returned if parents don’t want them over the summer).
* Clever, Lexia, and iReady will be available all summer.
* Mrs. Ramsey has posted calendars on the PPE Learn website that have hyperlinked activities for each weekday in June and July. These are great tools to help students keep making progress during summer months.

Ms. Stuart gave a presentation about the importance of summer reading and available resources for the summer, including:

* Students can lose up to 7 months of reading achievement over the summer if they don’t continue to work on it.
* Ms. Stuart has created summer reading lists for each grade level and for family reading, available on the PPE website.
* Other tips to prevent Summer Slide include:
  + Scatter books around the house that students will pick up on their own, without prompting.
  + Share your excitement and show them that you read, too.
  + Create and participate in family reading challenges.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Katie Agnew

Secretary, PPE PTO Executive Board