

PTO Meeting Minutes

Date & Time **May 13, 2021 @ 6:30 PM**

Location **Zoom/ Virtual**

PTO members:

Aleza Bautista	President
Heidi Peterson	President
Crystal Wurschmidt	Communications
Jeanie Brevoort	Member At Large
Karen Lee-Toy	Treasurer
Tamara Emge	Secretary / SAC Liaison
George Amaya	Secretary- Absent
Holly Delants	VP(pending)

Administrative Attendees:

Lynnan Kovalesky
Karen Johnson
Christina Wu

6:30p Mission Statement

Quorum Determined

6:40p Motion to approve May 2021 Agenda: passes

6:45p Motion to approve April minutes: Kare asked to make sure the the date was changed:
vote passes

6:50p Teacher Grants

- Academic Letters
 - Q: Why was this not in the budget from the school. Was not something that was planned for.
 - A: (KJ) says that this is similar to sports lettering, and this would be for academic purposes. 3.8 GPA for 2 consec. Semester and above would be worthy of a letter
 - Will be something the PTO will be asked for every year.
- Academic Pins
 - A: (KJ) says that this is similar to sports lettering, and this would be for academic purposes. 3.8 GPA for 2 more consec. Semester and above would be worthy of a pin for their jackets.
- Broll Bowling
 - Q: Is this something that is just for elementary?
 - Q: Has there been any price comparisons?

7:12p Michelle Gasser SBL (Standard Place Learning)

- Will have this set for the 2022 school year, so is not for the 2021 school year

- SPL is different because they will take the standards of education in each class, and then the school will determine what proficiency skills are needed for the knowledge content.
- There is a subcommittee working on this all of next year.
 - Q: Are all subcommittee members staying next year? How is teacher attrition affecting the teachers working on this at the end of this year?
 - The teachers will get sub for next year while they are in the group, and told the teachers it would be next year
 - Q: why the change, what is the problem that is being solved for in moving to this type of learning style/reporting
 - Solves for separating behavior from knowledge. So if they do not turn in an assignment, their grade is not impacted. As long as they can show knowledge content

7:31p APEX Fun Run Presentation TJ Styx

- Has options as we move to a more in-person environment post Covid protocols. There may be more options as the year progresses for the community and students of the school.
- Local company, each company is within their own community
- Has technology that allows for parent to share information through something called 'Sharewizard'
- The videos are made for the actual school, and are done for the event.
- Fees, they are taken out of the total. (52% of funds to STEM, 48% to Apex)

7:47p Presidents Report:

- PTO Statement "What does PTO do to support teachers"
- Teacher Retention Karyn Weiffenbach
 - Public Comment
 - Read statement that was cut-off during the BoD meeting (12 minutes)
- Community Night @Backcountry
 - Mask requirement
 - Will there be a requirement to wear masks with the reduction in restrictions.

8:44 STEM Staff/ Admin Report

- Starting to do events in school and will do a split school rally

8:50 Hospitality Report

- TAW went really well

8:55p Treasurer Report

- Everything (FS, PVs, Deposits) is in the shared drive. As this is the end of the year, we have to submit PVs to the Foundation by 6/11/2021 so the Foundation can close out the year, all expenses incurred by 6/30/2021 will be reflected in the current 2020-2021 year financials
- Need to approve the budget before the June BOD meeting

9:00 SAC update

- Discussed Leadership, Personnel and Infrastructure evaluations per responsibilities (C.R.S. § 22-11- 402(1)(d))
- Vacancies on SAC for the 2021-22 school year
- DCSD Parent engagement policy
<https://www.dcsdk12.org/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=6773722>
- Teacher retention

9:15p Adjournment motion made, seconded, vote called: passed unanimously

Break:

Executive session: 9:20p

- Teacher Grants
 - 9:30p Academic Letters motion made, seconded: vote called, vote passed unanimously
 - 9:35p Broll Bowling motion made, seconded: vote called, passed unanimously

Community night (5/22/2021)

- 9:45p Vote on total budget for Community Night \$3500 to include shuttle, venue, etc: motion made, seconded: vote called, vote passed unanimously