

## CCES PTA Minutes 1/13/20

### **Called to Order:**

10 (13) members attending, meeting called to order 7:02

Motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes made by Principal Cosentino, 2<sup>nd</sup> by VP Pine. Minutes approved as written.

### **President's report**

President Gardner announces three committees:  
By-Laws, Nominations, Audit.

President thanks everyone for who has stepped up to help this tough year.

### **Administration report**

Principal Cosentino says that this will be a busy 2nd semester. The school board is hoping to have more staff in the building and then including small groups of targeted students for school based learning center.

Any return will happen based on the health metrics. The metrics are tested and if they pass certain thresholds, two weeks later staff would return, and then a week after that students in waves.

Final decisions have not been made on next year's staffing, but the administration does not expect a reduction in the number of staff.

MAP testing will be Feb 3rd (math) and Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> (ELA)

Math conferences will follow in February. Details will be in Cougar Comments. Finally, the Administration thanks the Staff Appreciation Committee for all they have done for the staff.

### **Treasurer report**

The treasurer is unavailable, but there have not been much income or recent expenses. Any updates will be loaded to the website.

### **1<sup>st</sup> VP Report**

No report at this time.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report**

Reiterated the thanks to the Staff Appreciation Committee, staff has very much enjoyed it all.

### **PTAC**

No report at this time,

### **Paw Print Press**

There were a few requests from parents to run this, it will be offered to grades 3-5 this year

There will be a google doc permission slip and a payroll payment system, to help streamline the process.

### **Reflections**

Submissions went to Howard county. Good luck to all the entrants and we hope there are some county winners

On Jan 27 there will be a celebration of the winners

Risa Carlson has created a virtual gallery of all the CCES submissions.

### **Staff Appreciation**

There is one last event for the end of the month of January.

The remainder of the budget will be held for staff appreciation week.

### **New business**

--Virtual magic show: show is booked for Feb 11th on the half day at 1 PM.

There will be an evite for those who are interested and then the link will come up near the meeting.

The cost to PTA is \$365

--Room parents -- Rachel Kelly has requested again that we have some coordination especially if we are getting back into the classroom. There is general agreement that this is good idea.

--Rewards programs—Questions were raised about finding a supplemental rewards program that would take the place of ROAR tickets while we are in virtual learning.

Staff is always looking at ways to improve interaction, but admin cautions that this is one more thing that teachers are responsible for, so this should be easy for teachers and impactful for kids and then not get picked up (which is what is happening to a lot of stuff in the vestibule)

Ideas were brought up about how to do more community building events are ways to bring kids together for social interaction virtually or safely.

--Carnival – This is tabled until we have further information and can make an assessment if there is a safe way to do it.

--Bingo - was a success. A second event will be planned for end of February/March.

--Talent show – For virtual events there are two options

1) prerecorded acts, edited together.

2) Live recorded acts, with designated time slots.

Live gets more participation maybe, but prerecorded gives you more control

No date has been set, possibly during March before spring break.

-International Night--Maybe it's more a week with small events/videos/that families can record, mostly asynchronous with maybe one virtual event to end the week.

Science fair --Chris McDonald is happy to do the same virtual style event that he did last year.

All of these events will be planned as virtual events and if something changes, they can be shifted to in person much easier than the other way around.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:29 PM