

Greenbrier Elementary PTA
Meeting Agenda
October 13, 2020

Attendees:

Principal: Dr. Bishop

Teachers: Ms. Cochrane, Ms. Franko, Ms. Shumaker, Ms. Tuya

Parents: Jess Minnick

Membership Committee: Jessica Smith

Officers: Sylvia Rudy, Hannah Leatherman, Kavitha Reddy, Mary Ironside

Principal's Notes

- Back to School updates/Stage 3
 - 10/13: First day of Stage 3. Kindergarten students and selected students at each grade level have returned
 - School is following health and safety guidelines to prevent spread. Students have been cooperative so far with masks. Students wash hands as they transition to different classrooms and encore. Social distancing is being maintained.
 - 40 students returned in phase 2
 - 40 student returned for phase 3
 - Cafeteria fits 45 at a time with social distancing.
 - Any student exhibiting any of the symptoms are sent to the nurses station and sent home
 - Protocols are in place for school staff as well
 - No visitors are allowed in the school
 - Transportation is working on all the routes.

- Stage 4: No decisions at this time on timeline. Will be hard to have all students return in order to maintain protocols.

Treasurer's Report

- Finalizing Audit – sending it to MDPTA
- Budget
 - Current year budget has been prepared.
 - The budget cannot be approved budget until we meet in person.
 - 7,537.38 total in budget
- Bank Account Updates
- Box Tops
 - November 1st receive next payment
- Amazon Smile
 - Deposits are automatically made. Last deposit of \$24.98
- Memberships: \$100 so far

PTA Committee Notes- Jess Smith

- Membership-13 total
 - Memberships are turned in to the office and provided to the PTA treasurer
 - Material pickup:
 - Occurs consistently every 3 weeks on a Thursday.
 - 3pm to 5pm next will fall Thursday 29th.
 - November and December will not be exactly 3 weeks because of holidays
 - Vote to send things home to students as much as possible.

- Cannot use Venmo because PTA Officers change and it is difficult logistically to change the account name.
- MDPTA Ballot Discussion
 - Disagreement between the National PTA and MDPTA which is causing confusion among local PTAs who are uncertain of limitations.
 - PTA president recently received a ballot asking for vote on bi-law temporary revision during pandemic.
- 2020-2021 Officers
 - Typically the elections would have occurred in April prior to the end of school year. However, elections had to be put on hold due to COVID.
 - Suggestion by Ms. Cochrane that if the current officers are willing to keep the positions and possible have a officer mentoring/training for future officers. Have a senior chair and junior chair to allow time to shadow duties.
 - All for promoting on social media.
 - Difficulty with membership numbers.
 - Recruitment possibility for those parents who traditionally volunteer to assist teachers to volunteer to help with the PTA.
 - PTA officers will put paragraph together to encourage parents to take part.
 - Sending another newsletter home and include the paragraph by beginning of next week.
 - If able try to vote in for new officers in December.
 - Send information to Ms. Cochrane who may be able to make a video of PTA accomplishments.

PTA sponsored ideas

- Trunk or Treat not available – options for Teachers during next Material Pick Up
 - Fun aspect of a drive-by
 - PTA will setup a table to provide snack size bags of candy and information on the PTA.
 - Staff may want to dress up-
- Spirit Wear Store Updates
 - Spirit store was open for 3 ½ weeks. Numbers are still being calculated. 25 orders so far.
 - This is not a fundraiser for the PTA
 - Items will be ready by Oct 26/27
 - Items are bagged separately with the order information attached
 - Spirit wear distribution on pickup night at the PTA table. Provide opportunity to advertise the PTA .
 - We may reopen the store in the spring. TBD
- Yearbook Link option
 - Usually 5th grade parents led a group of 5th grade student to create the yearbook.
 - No photographers are allowed into the school
 - Pictures will go to one person, reviewed, and used for yearbook.
 - Pictures can be taken with spirit wear on and included.
 - Only those allowed to be photographed will be included.
 - Need to know how many pictures are needed.

Take Aways/Additional Topics

- Next meeting – November 10 at 6pm. Zoom meeting at this time
- Questions, Ideas, etc.
- Ms. Tuya gave an update on the bookfair and the possibility of other options for viewing books. She will provide an update and if she needs volunteers.
- PTA Help: Dr. Bishop will let us know if any help is needed.

Meeting adjourn at 7:10pm