



Dr. Mona Jain Middle School
Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Meeting
Date: Monday, February 8, 2021

Call to Order: 5:33pm

Welcome: President

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the January 11, 2021 meeting were approved as submitted.

Board Reports

- **President:**
 - The secretary position on the board remains vacant as well as committee chairs for Teacher Appreciation, Spirit, and Fundraising. While we have had a few individuals volunteer to assist, there is no one interested in chairing the committees.
 - The February First Friday was sponsored by SAC and was well-received. The coffee and donuts were appreciated and there were sufficient supplies.
- **Treasurer:** Current balance is \$3,838.13 (does not include recent expenses from First Friday celebration and \$400 for general liability insurance).

Committee Reports

- **Spirit Night** – The January Spirit Night with CB’s Pizza raised \$100. We also received \$100 from Bubba Que’s from September. Additional scheduled Spirit Nights include Dairy Queen on SR64 (February 24, 2021), Wolves Head on Lakewood Ranch Boulevard (March 9, 2021) and Texas Roadhouse on SR70 (April 5, 2021). We are investigated adding Wicked Awesome Ice Cream or a pop-up tent with Moe’s. A suggestion was made to have Chipotle again.
- **Fundraising** – The Direct Give Drive has raised \$1,075 to date. It will continue to be promoted throughout February and March.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week** –Typically the week is held in May; however, due to testing, it will be to April 26-30, 2021. PTO will organize all planning. There are multiple people interested in assisted. A planning meeting is scheduled February 15th. Anyone interested in assisting can contact President Holland by email. A reminder was issued that buffets are not permitted. The school requests that PTO sponsor events at the start and end of the week and that the school will plan something for Wednesday.

Principal's Report

- Mrs. Lindsay thanked the committee for the February First Friday supplies. These events are very appreciated, and the staff look forward to them. The First Fridays have been particularly good for school morale.
- The awards event for Semester 1/Field Day went well. The kids seemed to enjoy despite all the guidelines in place. This year will conclude with no field trips, no on-campus visitors, and no assemblies due to COVID-19.
- The school will be coordinating planning meetings for the Eighth Grade celebration and will need to be creative. Parent volunteers will be needed to assist this school committee. There are a total of 219 8th graders. Ideas for the celebration include an 8th grade class T-shirt, drive-by awards, swag bag, yard sign/balloons.
- Sports are resuming with soccer currently, then flag football and volleyball for the spring.
- There is a request for the PTO to assist with providing snacks for 8 InD students. The cafeteria is able to provide for \$1/snack and \$1/drink or bulk orders would be permitted. They need \$16/day for the rest of the school year. PTO agreed to support.

Old Business

- **PTO Lucky Grams for St. Patrick's Day** – The grams will include a card with a chocolate coin for \$1. A student organization will be selling the grams during lunch from March 8-10 and they will be delivered on 3/11.
- **Math Bootcamp** – PTO will be providing a reward/incentive for participating in the bootcamp. A tiered reward system will be available for intermittent vs. full attenders. Approximately 40 students are expected to participate.
- **Champions for Education** – This event will take place the first 2 weeks of March. PTO will participate with a small appreciation token.

New Business

- None

Upcoming Events:

Next PTO Meeting Date: Monday, March 8, 2021

2021 Meeting Dates: April 19 and May 17

Spirit Nights:

- Tuesday, March 9, 2021 – Wolves Head Pizza (LWR Blvd)
- Monday, April 5, 2021 – Texas Roadhouse (SR70)

First Friday Teacher Appreciation: Friday, April 2, 2021 (SAC sponsored)

Adjournment: 6:13pm