



Gates Chili Middle School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Meeting Minutes for October 13, 2020 General Meeting

7:00pm – 8:00pm *Virtual Due to COVID-19 Restrictions*

Executive Board Present: Mark DeGray, Paula Arthmann, Bryan Arthmann, Kristin Kruspe, Jennifer Gelfuso, Dr. Lisa Buckshaw

Executive Board Absent: Tracy Dalykas

Other Attendees: Marena Thorton-Lawhorn, Lillieth Christopher, Denise Stade, Robin Williamson

Meeting call to Order at 7: 02pm by Mark

1. Introductions of PTO Officers and attending Parents.
2. Review of September 22, 2020 Meeting Minutes, **Vote to approve: yes: 9 No: 0 Abstain: 0**

Motion to approve: 1st: B.A. 2nd: P.A.

TREASURER REPORT

- SEPTEMBER 2020 FINANCIAL STATEMENT:
- CHECKING ACCOUNT: \$1,040.06
- TRIP ACCOUNT: \$4151.53
- MONEY MAKER ACCOUNT: \$24,421.00
- MOTION TO APPROVE: 1ST: B.A. 2ND: L.B.
- VOTE TO APPROVE: YES: 9 NO: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

OLD BUSINESS

- Upstander TeeShirts for incoming 6th Graders and new Students. Jennifer Gelfuso to deliver to the 6th Grade Teachers to distribute to the Students.
- 2020-2021 GCMSPTO Officer Elections, no new people, decision is made to vote in Current Officers for the School Year. Denise Stade is interested in a position, Mark D. to talk with her more.
- A vote will be taken to vote in the current Board.
- Motion to Approve: 1st: y 2nd: Y Vote to Approve: yes: 9 no: 0 Abstain: 0



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NEW BUSINESS

- Fundraising:
- Funds to Org, used shoe collection, resale to Countries in need. 25 shoes per bag, 100 bags = \$1,000.00. \$4,000 to \$5,000 in Fall, smaller ones/amounts in the Spring, no out of pocket cost to Parents or anyone. Mark DeGray, Kristin Kruspe, Bryan and Paula Arthmann to meet separately about fundraiser help(collecting, storing, bagging).
- Student Groups to help, hold a virtual Meeting with Student Groups.
- Flyers in doors and on Social media.
- Present in November 2020 Meeting.

DIT UPDATES

- None, not started yet. Costa Tavalares is the GCMS Rep.
- **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAM (SIT) UPDATES**
- None—1st Meeting next week.
- Goal for the District is to learn more about selves and creating a diverse District. Members reading a book called STAMPED.

PRINCIPAL UPDATES

- Meet The Staff Night will be held Virtually. Each Teacher will make a video about the class, expectations and grading. It will be up until 10/30/2020 or longer on the District Website under the Middle School.
- Parent Conferences will be Virtual.
- Students will be assigned lockers to use only for jackets and cell phones. There will be access before 1st period and at the end of last period. the 6th Grade teachers will build time in for the students to learn their lockers.
- Red Ribbon Week will be the last week in October. Students can take pictures at home to send in to show how they supported Red Ribbon Week.
- Halloween 2020 theme “scare drugs out of you” Sports jerseys, mismatch clothes. to coincide with Red Ribbon Week.

OPEN DISCUSSION

- None

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 7:55PM by Mark D.