

Conrad Fischer PTA Minutes

Meeting: April 20, 2021 Virtual 7PM

Attendees

6 Members in attendance

After The Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome were said, the meeting began at 7:06PM. Dr. Margaret Harrell was recognized by the Fischer PTA for her 8 years of service as a D#205 Board Member.

The March 2021 PTA Minutes have been posted with a motion made for approval.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Two items)

At the last REACH #205 meeting, it was discussed that the District has placed a decision of having a magnet school housed at Fischer "on hold" at this time.

Karen and Gwen said a representative from DPAC will now be included to attend the monthly District Council Meeting. They had requested this for the last two years.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Present Balance is now at \$15,408.47. Monies from two fundraisers were added including \$500 from the McDonalds Eat-n-Earn with Churchville & Emerson as well as \$1369.51 from Lou Malnati's with the Dinner Club earnings. 131 Pizza vouchers were sold from Lou Malnati's.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

The Nominating Committee has filled all the positions for the 21-22 school year except for: VP Academic Enrichment, Fundraising and Winter Room Parties positions. If interested, please let Karen or Gwen know.

One new member has joined the PTA this month!

The BOGO Book Fair will be held outside on May 13th and 14th.

MASCOT CONTEST:

THANKS to those students who submitted ideas for the new Fischer Mascot. The top 5 have been selected and will be voted on next.

TEACHER/STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK:

Dulce discussed how the first week of May will look in terms of celebrations involving the deserving Fischer staff. They will be honored with a breakfast, pizza lunch and gift cards to show our appreciation.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Mrs. Villa first thanked the lunch supervisor volunteers. The kids are doing "a great job" at lunch. Mrs. Villa said the school days are going well and teachers feel better about not having to rush through concepts with the now 3pm dismissal. Around 538 students are attending Fischer full time in person.

Reading Tutors are now on their 2nd cycle of helping students in need. Summer school dates will remain from June 7-July 1st.

A virtual orientation for incoming kindergarteners will be held the week of May 10th.

IAR Testing will be finishing tomorrow for those students in grades 3-5. Some students have been opted out of taking these tests by their parents.

In the 3rd week of May, a Robert Crown Virtual Presentation will be made available for the 5th grade male and female students. Students can be opted out of this event by their parents.

Fischer Building Leadership has started to discuss class lists for the 21-22 school year. Mrs. Villa will soon be meeting with District representatives to talk about classroom openings and building size.

Mrs. Spinelli asked about a Field Day happening at the end of this school year and a discussion started about this event. Volunteers can help run the event which will occur near the end of the school year.

NEW BUSINESS:

At the end of the last school year, the 5th graders were given t-shirts and yard signs to start a congratulations move to middle school tradition. This was a joint effort between Fischer and Emerson. Emerson is not using yard signs this year and it was agreed that Fischer wouldn't use these either. Instead, each 5th grader will be given a t-shirt. Teachers will get their sizes.

This meeting ended at 8:14PM. All are invited to attend the final PTA Meeting of the school year which will be held virtually on May 18th @ 7PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer DeBosschere, Fischer PTA Secretary