D36 Central PTO Meeting Minutes: February 1st, 2019

In attendance: Kirby Doonan, Kendal Reis, Elizabeth Stucker, Bridget Orsic, Nicole Rivera, Kendra Drozd, Tracy Winslow, Tricia Kocanda, Scott Conine

Elizabeth (Greeley):

Redoing STEAM night—it will be student led (3rd and 4th)--math, tech/engineering, science

Slating has started for next year

Parent party was at Glen View Club—people thought non-liquor drinks should be free

Looking for other options for school supplies

Discussion about option for letting kids stay in to read instead of having recess—need a monitor. Having a book club inside was brought up—run by a parent?

Revamping dismissal procedures

Kendal (Hubbard Woods):

Family Dance Feb 10th-- 5pm

World Travelers lunch event—Sweden

STEAM night, March 14th

Slating started

Surveying parents to see if they like the lunch program—use Kiddos

WPI event hosted at New Trier—potential dates—April 11th or 25th

Kirby (Crow):

Pushing math nights to March

Working on parent party and STEAM expo

As we evolve to more electronic communication they are evaluating the use of free basic platforms, but may be a future need to pay to upgrade services. They have been running into formatting issues—is anyone using a paid platform? Greeley is paying for Constant Contact as well as Hubbard Woods.

Should we add opt in/out on registration for PTO communications via text?

Bridget(Skokie/Washburne):

Joint Skokie/Wash assembly kicking off season of giving—“March Forward”-- Dance Marathon, Leah’s run, and St. Baldricks

Adolescence and social media event

Jan 25th was Career Day—went well

Beginning conferences

Exploring other lunch options—looking at Marla’s—however can’t merge accounts if children are at different schools—would be beneficial to find a provider that can do it

Tricia:

Thank you for being home with your kids during the two “cold” days!

Some districts are trying out remote learning days: need a way to collect attendance and teachers give assignments that they have to turn in. Potentially we will have set up in the future—requirements are loose, but investigating

Calendar—last day Tuesday, June 11th (half day)—proposed calendar is up on the website

*Angst* movie—earmarking evening of March 7th—6-8pm (1 hour plus panel discussion)

Friday March 8th: 9:30-11:30am (probably at Skokie)

Village’s Founder’s Day celebration, March 10th—2-4:30pm at Community House

Redistricting

Will meet with Village in the next week or two to discuss

K registration—on track with last year—continue to promote

Winnetka United Group (Indian Hill group)—live in Winnetka and pay taxes to Avoca and want to send their kids to Winnetka schools—will hear about it in press

Referendum

Mailer went out with fact sheet—first of three all community info mailers

Meeting of Community leaders last week—received feedback and questions—they are a conduit of information and wanted to make sure they were informed—it was well attended, tone was overall positive

Help make sure people understand what the referendum is about—target those who are still making up their minds

Consolidating presentations to 30 minutes, member of the Board will speak, will take questions on note cards to save time

Next Meeting: Friday, March 1st at 9:15am.