**Central PTO Meeting Minutes**

**3/24/2021**

**Attending:**

* Molly Cassin
* Maxie Clarke
* Nissa Cox
* Lisa Farrell
* Anna Gardner
* Michele Giczewski
* Trisha Kocanda
* Leigh Sears
* Stacey Wilson

**District Update (Trisha Kocanda)**

* We are at the tail end of survey collection for the capital improvement plan. Next step is the polling group will analyze data and then put together a revised recommendation to present to the board at May meeting. Then Board has until August to make a decision on the referendum.
* Received more than 50 applicants for new Director of Innovation Technology position. Goal is to have someone to recommend to the board at April meeting.
* Board approved preliminary staffing plan for next year. Expecting slight decrease.
* Denise Mathews, director of student services, has come in and listened and learned and made recommendations. Creating a role for an assistant director of student services to support her.
* Focusing on allocating resources for literacy intervention.
* Student fees – There were no student fees this year. Next year Skokie and Washburn fees will be reinstated. K-4 will hold for another year, and then following year fees will be reintroduced.
* Calendar schedule will be going out today.
* Conference goal is to keep flexibility for in person and zoom going forward.
* FAN - looking for family liaison from PTOs. Vacancies at crow, Hubbard Woods and Skokie. May be interested in centralizing that and having rep be a part of Central PTO.

**Central PTO Updates**

**President (Molly Cassin):**  Slating process is underway at each PTO. Looking for suggestions for people to take Central PTO roles. At April 29 meeting slates from each PTO will be presented to central PTO.

Jenny Loring works with an organization called PAWS for Patrick. They bring therapy dog to work with children. May is mental health awareness month. Looking to partner somehow.

Hot Lunch – Moving towards centralizing lunches at all schools.

**Directory Spot (Leigh Sears):**  A few new students have been added to directory spot.

**Central PTO Budget (Kim Ronan):**  Everyone has binders from audit. We had payments to auditor and web due. Currently have $11,500 in account. Expect about another 1K in expenses for this year.

**School PTO Updates**

**Skokie Washburne (Lisa Farrell/** **Michele Giczewski)** – Field Day will be happening. 8th grade graduation committee is meeting. Social Dance coming up. Doing some beautification to buildings.

**Hubbard Woods (Nissa Cox)** – Teacher staff appreciation was last week and was very well-received. WGST – 4th grade news program, funded a news anchor desk.

**Greely (Stacey Wilson)** – Provided STEM kits for each family. Family dance night on the blacktop coming up. Book drive starting April 8 for Bernie’s Book Bank. Teacher appreciation and 4th grade event planning are underway.

**Crow Island – (Kelly Azim)** Pioneer Room for third grade and immigration day were successful. Spring sings went well. Crow Island is planning for teacher appreciation week and 4th grade year end celebrations. Crow Island Family Picnic is June 5.