

April 21, 2020 – PTO Executive Committee Notes

- We unanimously approve the new version of the Bylaws for 2020 – 2021.
  - o The only notable change from our last version is that the meeting attendance requirement of 75% of meetings applies to Committee Chair Liaisons as well as Board Members.
- We unanimously approve the circulated Slate of Candidates for the for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Given how uncertain things are for next year, we will need to play it by ear on how Fall Festival and other events will look next year.
- We have the results for the PTO survey back:
  - o The social events were highly rated and the three bottom rated events were the more “academic” ones.
  - o Some comments were that it’s hard to get out for events on school nights, so maybe we will mix up the times and nights on meetings and events?
    - Another potential option would be recording meetings for playback for parents later or live streaming them.
  - o The survey confirmed that we are generally on track with what the spending priorities are for parents.
  - o Parents like doing the “One & Done” fundraiser, so we will continue doing that next year. People like just giving some money and being done with it.
  - o With everything going on, we are aware of the fact our budget may look very different next year and fundraising may be different as well.
  - o We are looking at ways to improve communication with parents.
    - More parents than expected like backpack mail and less than expected liked social media as how they get their information
    - Next year we are considering doing a regular monthly email newsletter directly from PTO for parents.
  - o We are going to pass the results along to the committee chairs so they can incorporate them into their planning

- The Bubble Bus can be overwhelming for some kids on the first day of school. We will advertise an alternative “quiet” entrance next year.
- We unanimously approve the budget as proposed by the Treasurer and discussed at our last meeting.
  - o We plan on speaking with the Teacher Appreciation Committee about how they want to spend their funds.
- May 7, 2020 is our next meeting – We will try and get the dates for our activities and meetings set at that time