

# ROCKY MOUNTAIN ACADEMY OF EVERGREEN PTO

## December 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**Attendees:** Erin Parrett (President), Lauren Weiss (President), Valerie Hartford (Vice President), Jill Jachimek (Communications Director), Kate Blaney (Secretary), Megan Fuse, Tiffany Fontaine, Julie Edmonds, Cody Knopf, Yvonne Cristovici

**1. Call to Order:** Meeting began at 6:05 pm via Zoom

**2. Minutes** – September 2020 PTO meeting minutes were approved (Kate/Jill) and will be sent to Tiffany Fontaine for posting to the RMAE website

### 3. Treasurer's Summary

- Kate Blaney provided the summary on Lisa Warren's behalf using notes provided to her by Lisa • Lisa Warren and Julie Edmonds are working on a budget that is currently posted on the PTO Google Drive
- There is plenty of money to do fun things for the teachers
  - We are a funding account for things not related to our money (e.g., in year's past, collect money for pizza fundraiser for the middle school and write a check to help them fund their field trip)
  - We are also a funding account for the giving campaign (we will validate all funds that come in, take PayPal fees out, and write a check to the school - we wrote one last week and will again in May) • Bingo is a separate account - funds have to be used for a specific purpose (e.g., all the water filling stations were funded with this money)

### 4. Community Events:

#### Current

- Book Fair - Carrie W. was coordinating with Kappy from Hearthfire (Tiffany Fontaine will send Carrie an email to ask about post mortem status).
- Staff Gifts (Jill Jachimek) - Gifting window through AtoZ Connect closed 12/15. Jill working on divvying up the received funds and will give electronic gift cards at the end of the week. If any staff's pot comes up short, we can cover using budget.

#### Upcoming Events

- Staff Breakfast 1/5 - Has been done on the Teacher in-service day in the past. PTO was not allowed to do this at the beginning of the year, so need to get in touch with Dr. Hudson to see if feasible for the second half of the year. Kate and Erin will coordinate. We can use our tax exempt certificate if a catered meal is purchased for the staff members. Megan Fuse suggested possibly incorporating a barista or having custom coffees brought in.

### 5. New Business

- Mentor Program (Jill) - Jill going to put together information about a program and present it to the office. Would involve matching up existing families with new families (e.g., meet for coffee, give swag, meet at the back to school picnic, etc.) next year. Seems to be a need for this

- Wild Game, Drive in Movies (Kate) - Seems to be potential interest in this idea (auctioning off the 15 car locations, paying a \$285 fee to Wild Game, families pay for food/drink, donation to RMAE PTO is whatever we make off the auction). Kate to follow-up with POC regarding cancellation. Could start in January if interested.
- WatchDogs Program (Valerie) - Valerie spoke with Dr. Hudson, who would like an informal program that involves a perimeter check, no interaction with kids, if she needs help she will flag them down. No background check necessary for volunteers. Next year Dr. Hudson would like to pursue the real trademarked program. Jeremy Myers (parent) willing to help take this on after new year (he helped with it at Wilmot in years past).

**6. Announcements** - None

**7. Next Meeting:** January 20, 2021 6

pm - Zoom **8. Adjournment** -

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm *Minutes*

*compiled by Kate Blaney, PTO Secretary*