Heartland PTA

9 February 2021

**MINUTES**

Welcome: Krystine Edwards, president

[attending: Krystine Edwards, Andrea Robinson, Janiece Atwood, Michelle Whitchurch , Stephanie Berg, Buddy Alger]

Budget Update: Andrea Robinson, treasurer

$14,441.34, most areas are under budget due to COVID cautions.

Principal Update: Buddy Alger, principal

All Heartland employees have had the opportunity to receive COVID vaccine and will have opportunity to receive 2nd dose within 4 weeks. Dibels tests have improved over past years (very little “mid-year dip”), especially K-3 due to new literacy programs such as 95% (intervention/recovery), Heggerty, and Really Great Reading. Friday concerns and celebrations for students and teachers were discussed. Mathletes program has begun. Spelling Bee plans are in the works.

Battle of the Books:

Mock Battles occurred this week. Students have received teams, team shirts, flashcards, and instructions. A few more volunteers are needed for Battle Days (Feb 16-18), contact Krystine if you can help out.

Dr Seuss Day:

Virtual (videos) this year for book readings (Rey from Star Wars), read-a-thon in each class, and treat bags and more for each student.

Parent Teacher Conference and Teacher Meals:

Virtual conferences are coming again March 22-26 (waiting room format). Teachers will receive snacks and 1 meal (Wednesday) throughout the week; they will be conferencing from the school/classrooms.

Spelling Bee:

This activity/program will be discussed with 3rd and 4th grade teams soon.

Field Trip Funds:

In lieu of field trips away from the school this year, PTA will be willing to donate teacher grants for similar virtual or assembly-style in-house “field trips” such as the recent “trip to the moon” for 1st grade students.

Teacher Appreciation:

May 3-6, community donations and discounts are in the works (contact Krystine with ideas and community connections). School/Administration is planning some office/school supplies and more.

PTA Convention:

In-person May 5-6 at Davis County Convention Center, please see utahpta.org for information and contact Krystine for early registration.

Nominating Committee:

Stephanie Berg discussed some name ideas and ways to recruit more PTA help including incoming kindergarten families, volunteer event, phone calls, and suggestions for recruiting within our Arabic and Spanish and whole-school community.

Membership Drive:

We will plan a spring event for recruiting new PTA members and board volunteers.

Other Questions/Concerns:

We discussed concerns and celebrations with Fridays and possibility of JSD continuing Fridays (flex learning) in the future.

Upcoming PTA Meetings: 1:00pm, Mar 9, Apr 13, May 11

Minutes prepared by Heartland PTA Secretary Michelle Whitchurch 2-10-21