

Cory Elementary PTA General Membership Meeting 9.2.22 Cory Playground

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Cory Elementary PTA general meeting was called to order at 8:30am by Alison Durnavich (President). Melissa Viola (Secretary) recorded the minutes.

2. ROLL CALL

5 Board Members were in attendance: Alison Durnavich (President), Stephanie Campbell (VP), Marianne Lapuyade (VP), Danielle Gooden (Treasurer), Melissa Viola (Secretary).

Cory representation: Joan Wieser

Also in attendance: See attached list

Brittney Murrow moved to approve the PTA meeting minutes from April. Motion was seconded by Travis Wanger. Motion approved.

3. BOARD ELECTIONS

• The group unanimously voted to elect Alison Durnavich as PTA President and Stephanie Campbell as VP of External Communications.

4. PRINCIPAL UPDATE - Joan Wieser

• Heat Days:

- To call a heat day, the temperature outside must be 94 degrees or above.. At 10am, there are classrooms that are 87 degrees, and 25-30 kids a day have come to the office with bloody noses. While it's really hot inside the classrooms, the goal is to keep kids in school. Right now, the heat is making it hard for kids to learn and interact, but it has not been hot enough outside for DPS to call a heat day.
- Custodians takes temperatures inside classrooms each day and submit them to the district, but it's the outside temperatures that are the most important.
- Cory is partnering with SKCEE and will have same heat days because there are so many shared families.
- Heat days will be half days, not full days.
- Safety:

- The teachers are no longer propping doors open, and badges must be used to open any door to the school. An alarm goes off if a door is propped open and the district is notified.
- If there is an emergency outside, the goal is to get children inside. If there is an emergency inside, the goal is to get them outside and moved towards Merrill.
- Don't want to over-practice drills because it creates its own trauma, and a communication is always sent to parents after there is a lockdown/lockout drill.
- Safety with traffic at kiss n go is still an issue. If you see something unsafe, please say something. Joan is seeking volunteers to help with the crosswalk and navigating traffic at kiss n go.
- CSC Items:
 - Three parent reps: Ashley Camozzi, Maddy Sherrill, Holly Hockmeier
 - Other members: Leisa Sollenberger; Naurin Gilger
 - All parents are allowed to attend meetings.

5. BUDGET UPDATE - Danielle Gooden

- Fiscal year starts July 1
- The following improvements have been made from funds raised from the 2022 auction paddle raise:
 - Mushrooms were hand painted by Kristen Zimmerman.
 - Blacktop was sealed, scrubbed, custom stenciled and keeping all of the paint that can be used again.
 - New landscaping and mulch.
 - New basketball hoops going in that are adjustable down to the elementary level.
 - New tetherball ordered and will be installed.
 - Picnic tables will be installed on concrete.
 - New recess equipment.
 - Thank you to everyone who contributed to paddle raise!

6. COMMITTEE UPDATES - Stephanie Campbell

- Creating committee job descriptions to create clarity on roles and responsibilities.
- Reach out to Stephanie directly if interested in volunteer opportunities
- The following is an overview of current committee needs:
 - Friends of Cory annual giving campaign:
 - Mary Beth Carpenter; Scott Jahnke; Kelly Hansen; Marianne Lapuyade
 - Need a 1st of 2nd grade parent to help
 - Campaign runs from September 19-October 14
 - Cory Gear Drive
 - Order in early October and receive before Christmas
 - Fine Arts Committee
 - \$15,000 for assemblies and field trips
 - Karyn Chotin and Ashley Camozzi are heading this up, but could use some help when assemblies are happening at school
 - Garden/Farmer's Market

- Jill Ozarski/Travis Keeley/Amy Perfect
- SignUp Genius to help with the chickens
- If anyone has contacts with local restaurants, we need access to walk-in cooler for 48 hours to keep produce fresh for Farmer's Market.
- Fun Run: September 24
- Grocery cards/Amazon smile
 - Need someone to help promote these fundraising opportunities.
- National Walk to School Day October 12
 - Need a chair to coordinate this day.
- Cory Works Out
 - Need a chair to help coordinate this fundraiser.
- Fall Carnival Sunday, October 9
 - SignUp Genius will be coming out to solicit volunteers and donations.
 - Wristbands will be for sale soon too.
- Spooky Story Night
 - Need a chair for this Halloween event.
- Fall Clean Up End of October
 - Sarita Yeldani & Sarah Hilsendager are chairing.
 - Date TBD
- Thanksgiving Lunch wednesday before holiday
 - Danielle Gooden is chairing but will need volunteer support.
- Book Fair November 14-18
- School Tours -
 - Need tour guide. Busiest in January and February.
- Cory signs make this as part of the FOC campaign

5. MISCELLANEOUS

- Melissa Viola reported that the PTA is in the process of soliciting members. Membership dues can be paid through Venmo or PayPal, and they are \$15 for an individual and \$30 for a couple.
- Marianne Lapuyade shared that she is seeking local businesses that are interested in serving as corporate sponsors. Anyone who is interested should reach out to her directly,
- 8. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> Meeting was adjourned by Alison Durnavich at 9:30am.

Attachment: Roll Call

Kelly Hanson Travis Wanger Danielle Gooden Melissa Viola Scot Kreider Michelle Shamis Marianne Lapuyade Nicole Chavez Jennifer Reed Megan Davenport Stephanie Campbell Laurice De la Rosa Mike De la Rosa Nick Machol Lauren Machol Alyssa Murray Alison Durnavich Casidy McNally Brittany Murrow Kristen Swindell Beth Paoli Natalie Johnson