REIDENBAUGH PTO - MEETING MINUTES

April 5, 2022- Opened at 7:00 PM

OFFICERS PRESENT: Rebecca Stanion, Kim Firestone, Kelly Zeigler, Yanna Nachtigall,

Jaime Costanzo

TEACHERS / STAFF PRESENT: Trudi Smith

PARENTS PRESENT: Lauren Abel, Rachel McIntyre, Diana, Meghan Keller, Jamie Lloyd, JHK, Lisa Marie Read

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: One Book, One District will be starting next month thanks to a grant from the MTEF. Information will be coming home soon regarding spirit days etc. Teachers have volunteered to read chapters and post to See Saw so students can read along with them at home.

COMMITTEE'S REPORTS:

- Spring Festival/ Cultural Night- We are anticipating a big turnout and therefore are adding extra food trucks and inflatables this year. Cultural night so far has two countries signed.
- Fourth Grade Celebration- Going back to the glow theme that has been done in the past, it is an afterschool event.
- Teacher Luncheon- Teacher appreciation week begins May 2nd. Sign-ups will be coming out soon, we will need donations for food and drinks etc. New this year will be "Sponsor a Smoothie" you can sign up to sponsor a smoothie from Tropical Smoothie for a teacher or staff member.
- Yearbooks- Yearbooks are on schedule and should be coming out the end of May.
- Book Fair- The book fair was a huge success, and we exceeded our goal and are excited to provide so many new books to our school and teachers.
- Art Show- The art show went very well; it was nice to have the students walk through with their class and interact with their teachers and peers to share their artwork.
- Field Day- Volunteers will be needed to run the different centers, sign ups will be coming out soon. Volunteers will need to have their clearances. Miss Schlegel is retiring at the end of this year, and this will be her last field day.
- PSSAs are coming up and no volunteers are allowed in the building during that time
- Officers for next year Kim Firestone was elected as President and Rachel McIntyre was elected as Vice President. Congratulations ladies!!

SLAC- Last meeting was March 14th, there was an update on career readiness programs. Career development is a K-12 process and aligns with the state standards. At the elementary level helps students explore their strengths and interests. Manheim Township Endorsement Program will help students develop career readiness and the 10

employable skills to be successful in higher education and the workforce. Will link students with mentors from Career Ready Lancaster for more internship opportunities.

Notes for excused absences, there is a 3-day window and must be a handwritten note or printed out note from the Doctor or Dentist. Parents were frustrated that we must use paper copies and not digital format. At this time a paper copy needs to be kept in a student file. If a parent sends in a digital copy, someone must print and file those notes.

Concerns about the use of iPads and children possibly having too much screen time at school. The American Academy of Pediatrics advises 2 hours of screen time a day and the concern is that students are exceeding that between school and home. At the upper grades, there are concerns about cell phones in the classrooms.

Grading and assessment have been an ongoing discussion, how are teachers grading in Schoology versus Sapphire and some teachers allow test retakes and some do not.

There is one more SLAC meeting for this school year, if you have any concerns, please reach out to our SLAC representatives.

Next PTO meeting is May 3rd at 7 PM in person

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM