

Clarke PTO Meeting June 7, 2018

In attendance:

Trish Weisberg; Christina Cohen; Patricia Holguin; Wendy Riseborough; Carrie Xiumei Wu, Cindy Arens, Anna Monaco, Jennifer Roney, Chitra Sundar,

Minutes from last meeting were approved

Principals report: Anna Monaco

The 8th grade is advocating for a field day and they are organizing it with teachers help.

Approximately 20-25 kids in Student Government are passionate about raising money for the Quinn Amsler Fund and will be organizing the first Walk for a Cure on June 16.

Anna is looking at our secondary schedule with Diamond and brainstorming a new schedule, with possible longer blocks and more enrichment programs which would be implemented in 2020.

15-20 Clarke teachers will receive training this summer in project based learning which they can implement in the classroom.

Moving forward PTO's will be able to get lists of family members and communication data, unless the FM opts out. Opt out requests need to be sent to the principal of the school. We are hoping this will increase PTO membership participation.

Treasurers report: Trish Weisberg

PTO Budget for 2018/19 was approved.

A proposal was made to increase membership fees from \$25 to \$35 to replace funds raised by the Magazine Drive, which has been struggling. However, the proposed increase was denied.

Instead Wendy Riseborough offered to organize a Cookie Drive to replace the Magazine Drive in 2018/19.

The Speaker Forum budget will be increased next year, if necessary to accommodate new speakers.

Green Team fundraiser was approved.

Green Team: Cindy Arens

Discussed a new composting PTO fundraiser idea that would increase Lexington resident's participation in composting at home.

The fundraiser was approved by the board.

Parent Forums update: Jen Roney

Jen created a parent survey which was distributed via Clarke announcements asking parents which topics they were most interested in learning about and what times/days that were most convenient for them to attend.