

Copley-Fairlawn, PTA Council Meeting – January 5, 2022 via Zoom Conference Call

President Susan Strandberg: Called the meeting to order at 9:32am; pass around folder Project Linus making blankets for Children’s hospital
Blood Drive Feb 14th at the High School – giving the gift of live and love 10-4pm

Secretary Rachael Weigand: Minutes will be filed as written. Please send any volunteer hours to me for PTA service hours, fundraising hours or legislative/advocacy hours.

Treasurer Candice Komlanc: See attached report

1st Vice President Arin Sloan: \$144 DQ dine to donate event

Superintendent – Brian Poe: We rely on local data for all covid information. 18 students and 7 staff current with covid. Changes with CDC 10 day to 5 day quarantine. Still very strict with 6 feet distancing. We will continue with contact tracing so we can determine if the spread is through school, however we’re finding it’s still more community based vs in school. Will continue to distance, hand wash and sanitize with monitoring symptoms. Team working with summit county public health and still remain very concerned and will communicate with all of us.

Parent concerns with the message that teachers are sending to students as it relates to masks, vaccination status, etc. Staff should not be asking students to wear masks. If staff needs to wear a mask due to health issues they should not be asking students to wear that. They reach out to central office and they’ll develop a plan for that teacher to ensure their needs are met.

Assistant Superintendent Brian Williams: Recognition went to our board of education during the month of January. Laura Bevin, at Herberich had a children’s book she authored this week was published. Titled “Somebody”

Business Manager Steve Robinson: Parking lot lights came in at the HS on the East side of teacher parking lot and band area. End of the week all the lights in the rest of the parking lot will be installed.

Director of Pupil Services Aimee Kirsch: Mental health continuing efforts partnership with ADM board at mental health board and symposium. Open to anyone who would like to attend. How do we support our children through mental health as parents and community members. Child guidance and family solutions to run some extra mental health groups to start in Feb. Our counselors with help coordinate and organize those groups. Elementary school counselors are already running those groups.

Quarantine procedures: See attached document

OH PTA Vice President of Field Service – Barb Varley: Ohio PTA convention April 29-30 at Marriott in Columbus - \$130
More info on OhioPTA.org under events

Committee Reports:

Advocacy: Tammy Buser: No Report

Founders Day: Romi Brozeit - Feb 16th Hybrid option with zoom and in person (30 person) and if attendees want more than 2 at a table. We recommend 6 feet of separation but it’s up to the outside organization and their comfort level

Reflections: Shelley Melchior and Susan Strandberg – 8 state finalists and we deliver artwork to Columbus on Saturday. Judging will likely take place in February and we find out in March.

Wellness: Ashlee Eckelsen No report this month, but some exciting things coming up for next month.

T in PTA and Helping Hands Voting: Ashley Fittante from Arrowhead (T in PTA) and Kim Martter (Helping Hands) from CHS were voted our winners

Unit Reports:

High School – Cathlin Pusateri

- We currently have 248 members.
- Our After Prom committee will be having a fundraiser at Dairy Queen on January 18 th . I will send the flyer out soon. They will be selling Valentine’s Day cookies during the week of February 7, with delivery on Valentine’s Day. There are still rooms available for the Kalahari Getaway on March 6-7 th .
- We will be hosting a blood drive for the Red Cross on Monday, February 14 th from 10am-4pm.
- Students have been making blankets again this year during Learning Labs for Project Linus to be donated to Akron Children’s Hospital. During last semester, the students made 80 blankets to donate.
- We awarded our “T” in PTA and Helping Hands awards at our last meeting. Our winners were Mr. Basil Kochan and Mrs. Kim Martter.
- There will be an ACT prep workshop offered on February 15 th at a cost of \$39. All juniors then be taking the ACT on Tuesday, March 1 st .
- The Man of the Year event is scheduled to take place on Saturday, January 15 th .
- Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 12 th at 6:30pm.

Middle School – Nicole Covil

- We had 10 Reflections entries move onto State.
- Our 2021 “T” in PTA Award winner is Mrs. Christina Wade and our Helping Hands Award winner is Nicole Covil.
- Our current membership is 257.
- Our next PTSA Meeting is Tuesday January 11 th at 1:30 p.m. in person, in the cafeteria.

Arrowhead – Rita Kapusinski

Nominations: Helping Hands – Jen Hurd; T in PTA – Ashley Fittante

- Arrowhead PTA is holding steady. Our membership is at 188 members.
- The Winter Classroom party went very well. The students seemed really enjoy themselves while enjoying the party in their pjs. Our room parent committee is preparing for the next event The Valentine’s Party will be held Feb. 17 at 2:30.

GREENHOUSE:

- Our plants are thriving currently in the greenhouse. We have over 100 succulents, many tomatoes (both in hydroponics and in soil), beans and herbs. They will be harvesting lettuce this month.
- Nature Zone: Our chickens are currently laying eggs. The students will get to enjoy an egg breakfast we are hoping sometime this spring.
- We have created a lost and found document to allow families the opportunity to find items that have been misplaced. Families can log into the Google Doc at any time, respond through email or messenger and claim any misplaced item. We are updating the document multiple times a month.

Holiday Shop- We had another successful Holiday Shop! We were so happy to run this event this year. We made over \$1000 at the sale to help pay for the storage unit through the year. Thank you for all that helped, and especially to the greenhouse for lending us the space.

- 4th grade legacy is continuing with their fundraising and are starting to determine what their project will be.

Acme Receipts - The Acme Community Cash Back Program ran through December 25. A final note will be sent home to families reminding them to send their remaining receipts to the Arrowhead office by January 21. Receipts will be tallied and a total will be submitted to Acme by the end of January. A check is sent to Arrowhead, usually in the Spring.

-Our next meeting is Feb. 2, 2022 which will be held virtually via Zoom at 6:00p.m.

Fort Island – Shelley Melchior See attached

Herberich – Stephanie Kist

-Our membership is currently 134.

-December was a fun and super busy month! We crammed a lot into the few weeks between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

- Our Gingerbread Shoppe ran Dec. 6-10. We had a huge turnout of shoppers and of volunteers, and it would not have been possible without the dozens of parents, grandparents and teachers who pitched in.

- Also during that week we helped Mr. Skifstad decorate the music room to give a special touch to the filming of the virtual winter concert. After the filming wrapped, we moved all of the decorations to the lobby to add a special festive flair to the final two days of school.

- We also distributed all of the cookie dough sold during our fall fundraiser in conjunction with Otis Spunkmeyer. We sold more than \$7,000 in products and netted 40 percent, coming up just a tiny bit short of our goal.

- At our December meeting, we announced the recipient of our T in PTA award is intervention specialist Carrie Roseberry, and our Helping Hands winner is Stephanie Kist.

- Class parties wrapped up the month on the 18th, sending happy kids home for holiday break.

- In January we plan – depending on the Covid situation – to hit the ground running with Donuts with Dad and numerous other upcoming events.

Old Business: no more than 1 page new times roman 12 point font for reading info on the T in PTA and Helping Hands, president and 2 delegate voting

New Business: None

Announcements:

Board of Education Meeting – 1/11 in the CHS MOCR at 5:30pm

Region 5 Meeting – January 6th at 7pm in Montrose Panera

No School 1/17 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Council meeting – Wednesday, Feb. 2nd @9:30am in CHS Bistro 81

Founders Day – February 16th @ 9:30am

Meeting Adjourned: 11:10AM

Attendance: participants accounted for 98 minutes of service for January meeting (excluding the central office)