

Linton PTO Meeting Minutes
February 1st, 2022 @ 6:30PM

Introductions for all in attendance

Principal Report:

- Parent-Teacher Conferences:
 - o Went well both in person and online; we will probably keep online option moving forward
- Valentine's Day questions:
 - o No eating in classroom; food will be outside or sent home with Valentines
 - o Students may pass out and open Valentines and have games and activities
- Group met to discuss fun plans on 2/22/22
 - o Smaller committee working on this met for first time this morning
- Tomorrow is snow day (last one for year allocated):
 - o Moving forward may use remote snow days that involve 1 ½ to 2 hours of online work
 - Must be able to count the day otherwise school year extended into June
- **Questions:**
 - o Regarding snow:
 - Walking through snow to exterior doors when the green flag is up is challenging; plowing has not been working.
 - Could kids enter through main door?
 - **Response:** Trying to avoid students congregating; Ms. Stolte will speak with staff about this possibility and increasing safety measures
 - o Curb that is crumbling?
 - o Any predictions about what will happen with respect to mask mandate?
 - Brian Kingsley is collaborating w/ surrounding districts
 - Parents are split; anticipating regardless that there will be push for mask-friendly district
 - Speaking for or against: Sign up for the school board meeting next Tuesday; Sign-up slots open up on Friday afternoon before (usually 40 slots)
 - o How are you handling lunch w/ masks and positive kids?
 - Normal – no students are singled out
 - o Anticipating masking decisions very soon – trying to get ahead of the end of the county mandate (2/12)
 - o Field trips (i.e. ECO week)?
 - Nothing overnight has been approved, but we've done some day trips – largely dependent on bussing (currently short 22 drivers)

Treasurer Report:

- Account is stable \$14,000-ish
- \$610 dollars coming out soon for specific expenses

Read-A-Thon:

- Cheques from businesses will be held until April
 - o Procurement team needs to let businesses know
 - o Kim will forward email info from Mandy and Adrien to rest of procurement team
- Sandy will send Kim a link and instructions for video guest reader uploads to pass along to families
 - o Kim to email Ms. Stolte about this and the kick-off date
- In-person guest readers/volunteers?
 - o Some people can do in-person at front of classroom (maybe 1 per classroom) – Ms. Stolte will confirm

Parent Chair:

- Suggesting a spring fling outdoor dance

District Advisory Board:

- School board vote to increase holiday week
 - o This would add 2 more school days to the beginning of next school year
- Calendar committee:
 - o Surveys are back; currently reviewing comments
 - o Received good feedback – around 20% from students
 - o Will review with the school board around March then publish for the general populace

Last Items:

- Milk caps turned in
- Dropped off all cards/holiday things to Morning Star and they were very grateful

Adjourned; Next meeting: March 1st, 2022 – more about the Read-A-Thon