March 26th, 2019, PTCO General Meeting

In attendance: Lara Makinen, Andea Simms, Amy Brummet, Ashley Gehrke, Charlotte Dragon, Ty Tymkovich, Olga Shakalova, Nikole Good

General

Principal Updates:
• Principal Gehrke discussed the two staffing scenarios for next year. The first was if kindergarten remains half day, and the second was if kindergarten changes to full-day. Either way district budget cuts mean there will be less staff for next year, but the classrooms will remain at or below 24 students.
• PTO will cover the cost of Teacher Assistants, which is just over $40,000/year.
• The decision about full or half-day kindergarten will be decided by the legislature, which will likely take place in May.
• Principal Gehrke discussed combining Back-to-School night and the Fall Carnival into a single event to take place either the Thursday or Friday prior to the start of the school year. The idea will move forward. A survey will be sent to the parents to see which day would be better for families.

Treasury
• No new grant requests

Other:
• Ty Tymkovich reported that the Father/Daughter dance was successful. There were more in attendance than RSVP'd even with the bad weather.
• Teacher conference meals: The teachers appreciated the meals, and there was plenty of food.
• Blue Tree Ap: PTCO will be moving forward with a new app provider. The new app will cost the same as the previous, but it is much more user-friendly. The goal is to have the app up and tested before Back-to-School night in August.
• Pizza and a Movie: 50 students have RSVP'd for Wall-E
• 5th Grade vs Staff Basketball: 49 students RSVP'd. Staff participation lower than normal this year due to multiple date changes. Parents will help fill in the gaps.
• Auction: Ty reported that the auction is on track and that more information will be sent out soon. Class art projects aren't being made this year.
• Spirit Wear Sale: Amy reported that the clearance spirit wear sale went well, raising about $300. Remaining items will be donated to the Watch Dog Dads
• Yearbook: Pre-orders have closed. Orders can still be placed, but the yearbook may be delivered after the last day of school.
• Volunteer Needed: We're looking for a parent volunteer to be in charge of the PTCO bulletin board across from the front office.

Board Nominations:
• The following people were nominated by Amy Brummet for the 2019-2021 PTCO Board
  President: Krista Jablonski
  CoVP: Olga Shakalova
Treasurer: Andea Simms
AP/AR: Nikole Good
Secretary: Charlotte Dragon

Upcoming Events:
- 4/13  Auction
- 4/18  RN: Tokyo Joe’s
- 4/25  General PTCO Meeting