**TRE PTSA September 2022 Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, September 20, 2022**

**10:20 -11:20 AM**

**Thornell Road Elementary – Computer Lab**

**Zoom Accessible**

**Meeting Attendance**: Colleen Emmons, Lance Riegert, Gina Brown, Megan Bonafonte, Victoria Riegert, Tharaha Thavakumar-Slavin, Sadie Szrama, Amy Ord, Rae Zhou, Kim Huels, Amy Dunphrey, Gina Brown, Lance Riegert, Allison Kirilchuk, JAS, Eram Reynolds, Laurel Gildersleeve, Julie Nemer, Meaghan Englebrecht, Emma Miller, Lori Leitgeb

Meeting Called to Order at 10:20

Meeting Norms Read

* Listen for understanding
* Respect and embrace the unique individual experiences, values, and perspectives of those present
* Be mindful of language and how it may impact others
* Pause for reflection before responding
* Participate for the good of the group
* Maintain a student first perspective in questions, comments, or suggestions

Introductions for those present in person and online

TRE Building Chair Update – Colleen Emmons

* Support District PTSA goals to make PTSA more accessible and inclusive.
* Continue to focus on student and family first events and building school community
* Fill open positions and provide proper support and training

District PTSA Updates – Lori Leitgeb

* Ah hoc committee approved to review organizational structure
* Bylaws are up for review and approval – the committee has proposed four changes that will be voted on at our October (10/12) meeting. Feedback and information can be found on our website.

Budget Presentation – Megan Bonafonte

* Thornell Road’s year end cash/expense ratio is budgeted to be 34%. A healthy budget is anywhere between 30% - 60%.
* Hoping to do some fundraising this year to raise ratio to 40%
* The budget restores library, courtyard, and gifts to school funding back to previous anticipated expenses.
* New line items have been added for Light the Loop, Water Carnival and Field Days
* Per the District PTSA request, Cultural Arts budgets and Visiting Author budgets are MUCH higher, but expected to return a to more normal range next year.

Membership Update – Tharaha Thavakumar

* District membership is at 959 with goal of total membership at 1, 437
* TRE membership is 7th overall at 128 with an overall goal of 160
* Hoping to increase teacher participation

PTSA In Action – Colleen Emmons

* Thank you to picnic volunteers, picnic was a success
* PTSA attended New Family Orientations and provided back to school signs and balloons
* Teacher Appreciation lunch coming up on 9/30 – Sushi & Salads

Super Sale Presentation – Amy Dumphy

* Super Sale will run at the MHS gym October 14-21
* Volunteers are needed – all volunteers get to attend the pre-sale day on Tuesday
* Hoping to return Super Sale to its pre-Covid glory

Committee Reports

* Spirit Wear will be coming soon – working on designs and possible vendor changes
* Holiday Shops will run in December
* Book Fair coming up October 24th – October 27th. It will run in the same format as last year
* DEI – Deaf Awareness Month, Hispanic Heritage Month and book clubs
* E-News – Hillary Bobys has taken over and is doing an incredible job. Would like to share important information and celebrate/highlight students and teachers at TRE

Review of upcoming events – Colleen Emmons

Discussion – “What do you like about PTSA?”

Meeting Adjourned at 11:20