TRE PTSA Meeting

March 8th, 2022

10:00 AM

Attendance:

Colleen Emmons, Vicky Riegart, Lance Riegert, Todd Fleming, Emily Waller, Gina Brown, Thari Thavakumar-Slavin, Ivana Nadler, Roger DeBell, Christine Ferrar, Amy Ord, Megan Bonafonte, Elizabeth Wenger, Andrea True, Erin Chimento

Roger DeBell-

* masking option has been happening for about a week. Children have been doing great with the change.
* For testing questions please call nurses office directly
* Contact tracing is continuing, and families will be notified if someone tests positive in a class or is exposed at lunch.
* The school cannot control if children are masking that direction has to come from home.
* Hoping we will be moving toward to having some of the traditional 5th grade celebrations back
* Cultural Arts money will hopefully not change despite lack of programs due to Covid restrictions
* Joe Crookston is returning to work with the 3rd graders with a combination of in person and remote learning.
* The new principal will more than likely be announced at the next board meeting or the morning after. Mr. DeBell hopes to spend some time working with the new principal as they transition in to their role.
* Maybe PTSA could sponsor an evening event to meet the new principal.

Colleen-

* Need Volunteers- we are looking for ideas to get more volunteers. There are many open positions both at Thornell and in the district.
* Laura Rocca is co-chairing teacher appreciation in May.

DE&I- No update

Enrichment-

* Any new programs are on hold, all new programs must be approved by PTSA and building administration.
* There will be chess and yoga again in the spring.
* PTSA can discuss program ideas at the meeting before approval process.
* Would love to have Drama back, looking into Bravo Kids Creative Arts, Andrea will reach out to director.

Yearbook-

* Sales are underway, flyer still needs to be sent home.
* Photographers are needed to take playground pictures. Possibly some in school pictures.

Other things-

* Colleen and Gina are working together on a Cognito Form to “Celebrate Thornell Stars.
* Submissions would be shared in the enews.
* Looking for replacement to publish enews weekly.
* End of the Year Picnic is in June.
  + DJ
  + Food/Ice Cream Truck
  + Cotton Candy
  + Basket Bonanza- would need coordinator
* 5th Grade Celebration is in beginning planning stage