

Marshall PTO Meeting

Meeting held by Zoom

Monday September 13, 2021 7:00 pm

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm

Minutes from the May meeting were available for review. The minutes for this meeting will be posted on the website for all members.

- **Welcome-** Review and approve minutes from the May meeting. Motion done by Sarah Riechers and Ann Moscato seconded.

- **PTO Report**

1. Introductions, welcome remarks.

- **Principal's Report- Dr. Bock**

Dr. Bock thanked all attendees and PTO for welcoming teachers with a back-to-school lunch. Currently 642 students on school roster and 8 students virtual. We were funded at 580 students last spring. September 30th is the day when the updated enrollment is captured. 100% of staff returned. One new staff member, Miss Cooper is a new counselor who has replaced Mrs. Gerdy. TTAs will be coming on board as ARPA money is received. The goal is 1 TTA per grade to support gaps and lost learning.

0.4% of PWCS students are COVID positive.

1.8% of PWCS students are in quarantine.

10 positive students at Marshall and 1 probable case.

Teachers have been doing a good job ensuring masks are staying on. Distancing is difficult in the larger classes like 3rd grade. Recess has evolved and guidance from the county requires that classroom pods are used for recess. Meaning kids can only go to recess with the same classroom. All classrooms have a seating chart. Same for the lunchroom.

The process is that the school nurse contacts the Pandemic Coordinator. And then the School/Nurse contacts parents of those considered a close contact. Dr. Bock wanted to assure parents that they will be told and they will know if their child has been in contact with a COVID positive student.

The school is allowed to have parent volunteers but there is no visiting during lunch. All volunteers must be approved by Dr. Bock.

Breakfast and Lunch is free for all students.

There is a Bus Driver, School Nurse, and Cafeteria Worker shortage. Nurse White will need to assist by visiting other schools. Some schools do not have a school nurse. However, as of now she has only been requested to go to another school for 2 days. Several staff members are trained in administering medication, etc.

Mr. Duggar mentioned that the Marshall community has been amazing - parents have offered to come to the school to administer medication if necessary. Mr Duggar discussed the State Growth Assessment is to take the SOL standards from the previous spring and see what the children have retained. It identifies strengths and weaknesses. Virtual learners will also be offered appropriate testing options. Virtual learning is provided by Proximity.

- **Treasurer's Report – Jennifer Walczak**- Expenses and balances reviewed; A copy of the report was available to attendees during the meeting. It will be available to the public on the PTO website.

- **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Membership**- Please check our website to sign up for membership for this new school year.
 - b. **Open Committee Chairs/ Volunteer Opportunities**- PTO volunteer opportunities. Please contact the board for information.
 - c. **Classroom Reps**- Nicole Zezzo. Looking for parents to represent classrooms. More information will be sent by email.
 - d. **Read- a- thon** (Sept 24- Oct 8) Wendy Kilgore. Get ready for RAT! The Marshall PTO Read-a-Thon fundraiser is held to support the education of children at Marshall Elementary. Our Read-a-Thon engages children in reading while raising funds for the school. Past Marshall Read-a-Thons have raised funds to support refreshing the school library catalog, purchasing laptops and tablets for classrooms, and supporting educational initiatives such as online learning tools.
 - e. **Spirit Nights/ Fundraising**
 - i. September 15- Panda Express Fundraiser.
Online Orders Only @ ANY US LOCATION.
Just add coupon code: 904873. 28% will come back to the school
 - ii. Halloween Cookie Kits from Bake your Heart Out-
\$30 (8 cookies, 4 bags of icing and sprinkles). Must Order by October 13th for Oct 28th Delivery. Pick up in office.
 - f. **Spirit Wear**
 - i. Pre-order spirit wear by Sept 20th for October 15th delivery.
 - ii. Previous spirit wear available on our square page at a discounted price.
 - iii. Magnets are HERE! Available for \$5 on our square page.

- **Upcoming Events**

Spirit Night- Panda Express (ANY US LOCATION)	September 15, 2021
Holiday (School and Offices Closed)	September 16, 2021
Spirit Wear Order Due	September 20, 2021
MAC Meeting 7pm	September 23, 2021
Read-A-Thon	September 24- October 8, 2021
PTO Meeting	October 4, 2021
Book Fair	October 19-22, 2021
MAC Meeting	October 21, 2021
Spirit Week: Monday: Pajama DAY	October 25, 2021
Tuesday: Crazy Hair/ Hat Day	October 26, 2021
Wednesday: Favorite Sports Day	October 27, 2021
Thursday: Marshall Spirit Wear Day	October 28, 2021
Friday: Costume Day	October 29, 2021

- **Adjournment-** Mariela Tellez

Margaret Montgomery made a motion and Casey Hadsall seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.