

Crestwood Elementary PTO Minutes

January 11, 2023

In-person PTO meeting at Crestwood called to order at 7pm

Welcome - Danielle Haskin

Grade Level Trivia with Principal

- Principal's Report

- Principal Avink introduced himself and told a little about his background
- Construction update: On target for completing construction by end of August. Construction includes new gym, classrooms, parking lot, and bus loop. Current bus loop will be the new parent pickup area.
- Field trips this year : Lollipops Symphony, DK - Rising Starz, 1st grade - Children's Museum, 2nd grade - tour of Downtown Rockford, 3rd grade - Lansing, 4th grade - Zoo School, 5th grade - Museum School and Greenfield village
- Spelling bee is to take place Friday, January 13 at ERMS
- Battle of the Books will take place January 20 at RHS
- Upcoming events
 - Jan 18 - Early Release
 - Feb 20 - Winter Break NO SCHOOL
 - Feb 21 - Winter Break NO SCHOOL

Officer & Committee Reports

- VP of Programs - Keri Pimental
 - Crestwood's Spring event will be April 21 and will be art focused, similar to last year
 - Due to parking concerns, ideas were mentioned to possibly look into shuttle busing, breaking up event by grade, or extending timeframe of the event
 - Valentine's Day parties will be February 14, will all signup genius donations due by Feb 3
 - Staff Appreciation week will take place around Valentines Day and be similar to last year with students participation in daily themes while PTO provides a special treat on last day - possibly coffee/breakfast combination
 - A signup genius will need to be done for the gift card wheel used during Staff Appreciation week
- Treasurer - Kristy Hewitt
 - Activity Pass updates
 - Many activity passes have not been paid (around 215 passes still due)

- Letters to be send out to parents who have not paid
- Principal Avink may do a video to try to motivate people to pay their activity passes
- Possible ideas to bring in activity pass money - fundraising, add a link that would allow other family members/friends to donate

New Business

- Parents communicated their concerns about wanting to know why they are still not allowed to come to classroom parties, volunteer in the classrooms, and expressed their desire to have more involvement.
- Request to have PTO look into restarting the Watchdog program
- Mileage Club: Megan Masson
 - Fun Run on Friday January 20th

Old Business

Meeting Adjourned