

**Simpson Elementary School
PTA Board Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 2, 2020**

Members Present:

Brittany Adams, Liz Dunn, Dana Zamuel, Katie Berrigan, Heather Reich, Dr. Connery

Members Present via Zoom:

Elli Mayo, Lauren Forester, Megan Skurski, Beth Goldstein, Samantha Morgan

Call to Order:

Brittany Adams, PTA Co-President, called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Approved September 2020 Board minutes

Treasurers Report: Heather Reich

- Audit came back clear
- Updated Budget vs Actual Statement YTD available
- As of the meeting, there are 316 members of the PTA as compared to 614 last year
- Yearbook will be priced at \$35 a yearbook (our cost is \$25)

Academics: Lauren Forester

- Virtual book fair has been planned 11/16-12/04. The books will be shipped directly to the purchaser.
- Amy Boalch is taking over the science fair which will be virtual, Aminta Wu will help.

Principal Report Dr. Taffeta Connery

- Discussed the information that Dr. Connery shared with the school counsel.
- Staff development is still ongoing via zoom
- School enrollment is 939 students versus the budgeted 1,052
- There are approximately 40 (more expected) students going from digital to in-person on 10/13
- Simpson is using the Teaming Model for most of the grades except 2nd grade which is utilizing the Concurrent Classroom Model.
- Mask requirements were discussed
- Students need to take advantage of the free breakfast and free school lunches
- The first Covid case was noted and the effected Kindergarten classrooms were switched from in-person to digital for 2 weeks.

Arts: Beth Goldstein

- Reflections had 200 entries
- Square One is in process
- Still trying to determine if we will have the talent show

Communications: Megan Skurski

-no updates

Family/Community Outreach: Christina DelGaudio (Absent) but Brittany Adams presented

-Gwinnett school system has said there will be no in person events this year.

Finance: Samantha Morgan (Absent) but Brittany Adams presented

-Winter spirit wear is coming out

Health/Environment: Christy Grant

-Walk to school day is set as October 7th

-Bike safety class is scheduled (outdoors with limited numbers and socially distanced)

-Fall decorations are out now

Publications: Dana Zamuel

-Yearbook theme is "Time Capsule", coming up with unique ideas on how to fill the yearbook pages as most of the normal events are not taking place. The yearbooks will only be sold in January.

-School pictures are underway

Staff Student Services: Ellie Mayo (Absent) but Brittany Adams presented

-Working on ideas for SAW

PTA Business

-Ok to release instructional funds

-Working on recess equipment such as balls and new things for the kids to play with

Next Meeting November 6th

ADJOURNMENT Brittany Adams adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.