

Costello PTO Meeting Minutes September 23, 2019

Attendance: Debbie Ballios, Laura Saleski, Jennifer Ford, Chris Tallman, Paul Tennes, Tammy DiPonio, Katie Monhaut, Krisitin Cermak, Allison Allen, Amy Miller, Ingrid Peeples, Janet Matichuk, Keri Elliott, Julie Eldridge, Angela Cheek, Aimee SooSoo, Jamie Kanicvz, Mira Rrukaj, RehamBaheena, Rose Cody, PananiAdusumiuu, Jennifer Heywood, Melanie Harper, Jackie Riegling and Deepak Sahini.

Mrs. Ballios made introductions and called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM

Dr. Machesky presented Troy District Fall Update 2019. We are in the 5th year of our one troy, world class 2020 vision. Tells story of our journey. See students and teachers on the website. Thinking and learning.

Student achievement – lead the county and state at every grade level, every subject.our vision is not something we talk but we live it. Deeper learning, deeper understanding. Student achievement is something we are very proud of here in the troy school district. We don't talk percentages. Can't sum it up in %'s but talk about growth. Follow world class Wednesdays to tell our story. 2 minute videos. Tie directly to world class vision. Go to youtube- troyschooldistrict, twitter or facebook page. 56 national merit finalists. Represents top 1% of nation

13,090 students this year we are starting to level off. Michigan is aging state. Fewer school age children. We are bucking the trend and still growing but starting to level out. Costello is growing. Tells us communities are starting to turn over here in troy. We know people make living choices based on school districts. Enhance social/emotional supports Added counselors back at middle & high schools-cut areas that did not have direct with students. Prioritizing professional learning invest heavily. Just opened our preschool with ribbon cutting on Saturday. Goal – 100% of Kindergartners have had high quality preschool. Decreased from 200 to 70 over a few years.. Provide career advancement to our employees. Competing for highest quality staff. Spent 20 mil across the district. /very hard to do it in short amount of time and fiscally prudent. 2013 bond and site & sinking fund. State legislature have come to terms on a budget. Our legislatures did not support the budget. Troy did not support the budget. We appreciated their support. Budgets have not kept up with inflation. Need to remain competitive and still fund schools. We are still under where we were back in 2006. We are expected to do more with less. We are at a critical point, can't maintain status at current funding level. Just to keep up with inflation, we would have \$37.5 mil more. Moving forward, we will hear about ...we shifted a position **Bill Turner** College and by 6th grade they wont be, opening new advance manufacturing program Troy High and then Athens. Universities want real world applications not just high math scores. Strategic way to use facility. Preschool built by selling land and tuition will pay for mortgage. Designed specifically for 3-5 year olds.Niles building has reached end of useful life –fire,flood \$2 mil repairs. Need space. Purchased itt building on big beaver & east of Rochester. If all goes well, move into Aug 2020. Work on razing current Niles building.

No Spanish once coding starts martell, hamilton union and barnard We will have a media specialist assigned to each bldg. vs traveling. Apple has swift coding. It is grade dependent. Would like to be under 300:1 counselor to student ratio. Not there yet. Athens is close, troy high is 320and Larson is 350:1

Bill turner is a liason to universities and business community

Secretary Report

Mrs. Ballios presented the minutes from the June 10th meeting. Mrs. SooSoo made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr.Tenniesseconded. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report

Mrs. Tallman presented....our budget is \$60....and we have spent \$9000. At the end of last year we knew we needed \$12000-\$15000 prior to fun run. We have moved \$5000 to savings from last year. Keri and Allison

Audit Report Mrs. Riegling is our audit committee. She is a CPA in Michigan. Financial Statement auditor not tax. Everything so far is in order.

President Report

Mrs. Ballios discussed the Presidents council meeting. Her take away this meeting was the Tech talks. 3 nights Technically speaking #parenting is hard . This talk is focused on 3-5 grade parents. Oct 2 6:30 barnard
Oct 9 6:30 troy union & Oct 25 9:30 am at troy services building. Spring geared toward middle schoolers.

Presented bylaws and changes. Will vote on next meeting

Vice-President Report

We will be doing a directory. Thanked everyone for cmingtoda. New family night. We were able to talk about how great the PTO is. Many parents were very happy we did it. Kids had a magician. Nice night.

Principal Report

Jen gets so enthusiastic and brings an energy.

Great start to hee year. Finished kindergarten camp. Goal was to divide them up equally. Great parental support. Survey sent out. Facebook, website and twitter feed to keep in touch with everything going on. Make sure she is Serving us. Always need more noon aides. Couple hours here, couple hours there. 3rd grade iPads handed out today,, received them today. Wondered if anyone was interested in reading UnSelfie book study for before PTO meetings. 386 students so far. 75 kindergartners. Social emotional support staff. This year we have 3 days. Last year we had 2 days. Halloween parade and party on 31st. 3 o'clock is parade and after is party. Party planners come in at 2:45 to prep the room.

Teacher Representative Report

Miss Eldridge reported Kat Kronenberg visiting on Weds. 5th greadnative American experience this Friday, sept 27also preparing for camp. Oct 14-16. 4th grade Lansing November 13.

Room Parent Chair Report

Mrs. Monhaut parent meeting last thurs.reps for all classes but Mrs. Debraska. Will be hearing class contribution forms soon. Party funds, gifts and fair basket. Ask for funds 1 time a year. Sign up geniuses will go out for volunteers for contributions. Possibly school purchase 4-5 doz of allergy free donuts. Party hosts coordinate games. There will be communication from room parents.

Spirit Wear Report

Online store is open. Looking to add new & different things to the site. Once we have them, emails will go out with the information.

Ways and MeansReport

Mrs. Ford reported MOD pizza on Wednesday. Need to Box Top Apps. Michigan/MSU competition oct 21-25 collect and announce on Nov 1. Need to put it in the boxes. Blow up guys out front again. Last year State was deflated last year.

Fun Run Report

Mr. Tennies presented the kickoff video. Using same software we have used in the past. Through fliers, facebook page, hybrid approach. Our goal is around \$20,000. Fun run fall and auction in spring. Supports all enrichment programs, transportation and teacher stipend. Focus more on raffles than trinkets. Top earner and raffle for each grade. Family fun night last year instead of diponio sundaes. Stacy Milette sponsors it. Commutatorobo calls, sign up genius.

FairReport

No Report

Auction Report

Meeting this week to kick it off. March 6 adult only fundraiser. We raise between \$25000-\$30,000. Unique baskets. Get your babysitters in line.

Community Service – Angela Gnyp-Whitmore

Last library date to bring in school supplies next year.

Green Schools

Mrs. Miller documents and reports all the great things we do here at Costello and submit to the State. We have been Evergreen status for the last several years. DTE energy presentation in 4th grade. Mrs. Chick collecting Gogo squeezes

Web Coordinator

April, May and June minutes for PTO website.

Publicity – Kristin Cermak

Old Business

New Business

Msteps, Mackinac, pavement paintingaork order is in. update Thurs or Friday.

Robotics team Mrs. peeples, patel and alexpeeples robotics team, 3rd grade mimicking Hill. 1-2 we do & 3-5 Vex. Collecting funds for kits the kids will use 150-200 per kit the students will use. 20 kids per group. Afterschool program. Not sponsored pto or district. Laptops are being donated.

International night – Oct 1 turn in and Nove...for date.
Shadow Fair

The next Costello PTO meeting will be held October 14, 2019 at 7 PM.

Cermak & tennies. 8:37 PM