

**Keller Elementary PTA  
General Meeting Minutes  
January 10, 2022**

**The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.**

**Secretary Report, Jen MacKenzie**

- December Minutes: Jen Thorstad made a motion to approve, Erin Alexander seconded

**Principal's Report, Marcie Dryden**

- Covid Positives seem to be on a down trend
- Continue Safety Protocols
- Parents are doing a great job keeping sick kids home and kids tested
- We will continue to notify families of quarantine time for positive cases and as well as close contacts and will continue to notify community at large of cases
- School Board Appreciation Month - Thank you Tim Ciechorski for your continued support -a book of Tim's choice will be donated in his name to the library
- Late Start Wednesday 1/12 - last one this month
- Jan. 17th - no school - MLK Day & Day of Service
- Jan. 19th - Picture Retake Day
- Jan. 26th - Kindergarten Information Meeting -@7pm Virtual
- Jan. 27th - End of 2nd Card Marking
- Jan. 28th: No School Records Day
- Feb. 4th: Report Cards Go Live
- Kindergarten Registration (and others 2022-2023) officially begins January 27th. All online; parents can start the process anytime.
- School of Choice Registration: Grades K-8 February 28th-March 25th
- DEI Committee
  - Mrs. Carline - 2nd Grade Teacher- Heritage Awareness
    - Each day teachers are provided a resource to use in their class. This can be a slide show, a song or activity
    - Working on Virtual Bookshelves for the teachers to use - hope to have one for each month.
    - WKBS - 1 presentation a week
  - Mrs. Sakorafis - 2nd Grade Teacher - Curriculum DEI Team
    - Started Equity Audit on IB units using a template from the district, grade level teams making sure standards align and meet our needs
  - Mrs. Daunt - IB Coordinator
    - Working with staff and Dr. Kim Martin
    - 9-12 teachers meet to discuss topics, resources and articles on DEI
    - Oakland County Book Club - The Racial Healing Handbook - committee will be discussing an excerpt from this book this month.

### **Board Member's Report, Tim Ciechorski**

- Thank you for the recognition and support
- Oakland County Health Department and MDHHS have changed their protocols to align more with the CDC. Board will meet to address changes to any Royal Oak protocols.
- January 17th Martin Luther King Jr Celebration a collaboration between ROSD & Berkley Schools- Day of Action - all events will be Virtual with the exception of the Walk around the Middle School - this is weather dependent.
- Principals are doing a great job rearranging staff to keep schools running.

### **Teacher's Report, Laura Stankiewicz**

- Thank you for all the goodies before break!
- Hope everyone is healthy and safe

### **President's Report, Carie Hooker**

- Founder's Lunch is cancelled this year due to Covid numbers
- Scholarship committees are underway at all schools.
- Thanks to Staff Appreciation Committee: Jessica Kamman, Danielle Lupcke, Marissa Linn for the Hot Cocoa Bar
- Thank you Laura Shultz for putting together Bees in the D - Upcoming Presentation January 19th - virtual
- Haven't met our membership goal yet - encourage your friends to join.
- Update on IFFF - 4 members have committed to chair this - we will meet next week to start planning. The event will take place in April.
- Talent Show - Talent Show will take place May 20th
- Passing on Reflections until next year
- Dana is beginning to work on the 5th Grade Promotions committee
- Acknowledge Businesses that support PTA: Nancy Robinson, Realtor with Max Brooks & Nancy Robinson, Realtor - profiles can be read on our website

### **Treasurer's Report, Sarah Lutz**

- We still have a couple teachers that need to use their \$100 classroom allotment
- Money spent to clean up pond
- Received \$400 from Sherlie's November's Restaurant Night
- Received \$180 from Kroger
- Not a lot of money going out right now

### **Committee Report**

- Jen Thorstad - Nominating Committee
  - Sara Drumwright & Melanie Macey
  - Still need 1 more general member & 1 staff member
  - If you are interested reach out to Jen Thorstad at [jenthorstad1@gmail.com](mailto:jenthorstad1@gmail.com)
- Restaurant Night: Melissa Berry and Jennifer Streamer

- Tomorrow 1/11 at Vera Asian 3-7
  - 2/8 Irish Tavern 4-8
- Cultural Arts
  - January 19th @6pm Family Assembly - Bees in the D - limited spots - virtual

**Old Business**

- None

**New Business**

- Laura Stankiewicz - Student Teacher - graduate from Keller - Alex Rubio
- Mrs. Dryden - 3 student teachers in the building this semester

Next Meeting February 14, 2022 at 7pm

Adjourned at 7:32