



Gates Chili Middle School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Meeting Minutes for April 13, 2021 General Meeting

7:00pm – 8:00pm *Virtual Due to COVID-19 Restrictions*

ATTENDANCE

Executive Board Present: Mark DeGray, Bryan Arthmann, Paula Arthmann, Jennifer Gelfuso, Dr. Buckshaw, Kristin Kruspe

Executive Board Absent: Tracy Dalykas

Other Attendee's: Robin Williamson, Taryn Nole

Meeting call to Order at 7: 03pm by Mark

REVIEW OF MARCH 09, 2021 MEETING MINUTES.

-MOTION TO ACCEPT: 1ST: P. ARTHMANN 2ND: J. GELFUSO VOTE TO APPROVE: Y: 8 N: 0 AB: 0

TREASURER REPORT

- Review of March 2021 Financial Statement:
- MM: \$20,434.06 CK: \$1,735.10 Trip: \$4,033.56
-Motion to Accept: 1st: J. Gelfuso 2nd: L. Buckshaw Vote to Approve: Y: 8 N: 0 AB: 0
- There was a Funds Request for \$500.00 for the Books by Kwame Alexander. Actual total spent was \$317.78.
- Funds request for the Red Wings Community from the Community Funds.

OLD BUSINESS

- Teacher Appreciation Day. Mark to send a order form to Lisa for each teacher to place their order a lunch from Lorraines. 102 teachers. May 04, 2021

NEW BUSINESS

- With the changes to the Covid-19 guidelines and Monroe County being in a "Red Zone", a decision was made to not do the PTO Scholarships again this year.

DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT TEAM (DIT) UPDATES

- Mr. Tavelaris is the GCMS Representative. The DIT is working on updating the District on SIT going on.



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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAM (SIT) UPDATES

- Continuing to read the Book “Stamped”. The SIT will become the Building Equity Team. Will be Students and Staff.

PRINCIPAL UPDATES

- After the update to the Covid-19 guidelines, Secondary level students will not move forward with a full return to 5 days a week in School. Working on getting some of the remote Students back into School, but issue is there may be room for a few in one subject but not in another. Can we get some of them back in two days a week?
- Guidelines have been released by the State about end of year events. Going to try to get something to happen. 6th and 7th Graders Movie Night’s on the Turf Field.
- On behalf of the Students and Staff, Dr. Buckshaw has thanked the PTO for the Author visit with Kwame Alexander. \$6,000.00 for the virtual visit, and it was well worth it! The students who won the books were excited. The students really felt a personal connection to mr. Alexander, because they had such vested time and interest in his books.

OPEN DISCUSSION

- None

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting Adjourned by Mark at 7:30PM