



# Abraham Lincoln School PTO

## "LINCOLN PRIDE"

Minutes: March 12, 2020

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Flag Salute & Welcome 9:17 start

Secretary's Report - Allison Seifert

- Approval of minutes

President's Report - Jenn Duca

- Power of Play-Jess Lacasse-the importance of play. Its preconscience and pre-verbal. Purposeless, cure for board. Play is Self controlled and self-directed. Play boost creativity, improves health, makes us present, promotes leadership and interdependent skills. Peter Gray-Ted Talk about the importance of play and the decline of play. Rise of anxiety and narcissism. Kids need self-directed.
- Ways Wyckoff is integrating play into the classroom, site word practice with clay, and games. Incorporating blocks, math games, learning about light/shadows. Teaching empathy, negotiation, and choosing language. Global school of play on 2/5/2020 was a huge success. It is an enjoyable way engage with all students in class.
- At home play, don't over schedule, set screen limits, let kids be bored, and un-structured time. Offer open ended play toys, be realistic, and teach by example.
- Incoming Orientation for 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents April 2<sup>nd</sup> 7-8:30pm at EMS POSTPONED
- WEF Run - Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at EMS
- Dad's Night- POSTPONED

First Vice President's Report - Danielle Revere

- Family Bingo Night
- Science Fair 3/18 6-8pm MPR POSTPONED
- Family Math Afternoon - Wednesday, March 25th POSTPONED
- Pi Day - Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> POSTPONED
- Theme Day - Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>
- Literary Lions-Tuesday, March 17th POSTPONED
- Lincoln Pride-planting in the garden and cleaning up the kinder-GARDEN
- Fifth Grade Activities- blanket and bag sale starting Monday, 3/16 and delivery 4/13/2020
- Shadow Positions

Second Vice President's Report - Tiffani DeLorenzo & Marsha Romero

- Lambda Lambda Lincoln-huge success
- Incentives-no more cutting box tops
- Baskets K, 2, & 4 must donate a class basket

- Ladies' Night Out - Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> @ The Indian Trail Club.
- Pizza Love- April 14th
- Spirit Wear-cash and carry
- Kids Art-shadow needed

**Treasurer's Report - Erin Rand**

**Economy Shop Co-Coordinator's Report- Carrie Carpenter & Tricia Galasso**

- Volunteers

**Principal's Report - Mr. Lee: Corona virus- how to keep our schools open. Health and safety is of most importance. Teachers must continue to teach, and well being of students. We are all safe here right now. Cancellation of events, trips etc. We are meeting daily to discuss safety of students. Science Fair and Dad's Night was a hard choice to cancel. We are not excluding visitors to the building, Masterpiece art, pizza lunch. School closing, we should plan for remote learning. Currently, no plan to close. Staff has been planning lesson plans. Chromebooks will be sent home with students 2-5. Several hours of work is expected so it can go towards our 180 days of school. Department of Education said we just can not close. It must be in our best health interest, coming from board of health. Web-enabled access to all. Teachers and administrator will be available, by phone and email. Maybe some morning meeting will occur. Minimum day on Monday, for staff in work with technology to make remote learning happen. Extra hand sanitizers have been installed all around the building. He will send further instructions as needed. Plan accordingly and make good decisions. Soap is being used more quickly and being replenished. The district is well stocked with supplies.**

**Third Vice President's Report - Mrs. Moscarello**

**District Committee Reports - WEF**

**New Business:**

**Classroom Book Winner: 3R, 4M, 5C**

**Monthly PTO Winner: Cassie Schwarz**

**Next Meeting-Thursday April 2nd @ 9:00am**