

## Clough PTO General Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 14, 2021, @ 6:30 pm remote meeting

Zoom meeting link: PTO Zoom link

Meeting ID: 710 051 7803

Passcode: 9XvK36

Attendees: Mrs. Gallagher, Wendy Gama, Myah Stone, Renee Wojdag, Katelyn Lake, Justine Cole, Svitlana Kanak, Lyndsey Nickerson, Jessica Dunner, Laura Devenney, Andrea Lucey

Start time: 6:34 pm

1. Welcome - Wendy Gama

- 2. Statement on Remote Participation/Governor's Executive Order Suspending Remote Participation Requirements;
  - This is a statement on remote participation consistent with the MA Open Meeting Law, MA General Law Chapter 30A, Section 20, Regulation 940, Code of MA Regulations, 29.10. This allows for remote participation in certain circumstances under the MA Open Meeting Law Regulations. The Clough PTO will be conducting this meeting remotely. In this case, all 5 board members of the Clough PTO are participating remotely and virtually through video conferencing. This is consistent with Governor Bakers' executive order of March 10, 2020, which eases the requirements of having a meeting in a physical space open to the public and having a quorum of the committee physically present. Any and all votes will be conducted by roll call votes.
  - On June 16, 2021, Governor Baker signed into law An Act Extending Certain COVID-19
     Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency. This Act includes an extension, until
     April 1, 2022, of the remote meeting provisions of his March 12, 2020, Executive Order
     Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law.

## 3. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the previous meeting were emailed by Myah Stone to members who attended the meeting for review and comment. A motion to approve the minutes from the October 12th, 2021, meeting was made by Justine Cole. Minutes approved.

4. Principal's Update - Mrs. Gallagher

- Thanked the PTO for providing lunch for the Shadow a Principal day from the Clough Classic raffle. Mrs. Gallagher and the students really enjoyed it.
- 4th-Grade Student Council: They designed school council shirts and have binders they bring to the meetings. The 4th-grade School Council members get feedback from other 4th-graders.
  - They wanted a water cooler on the 4th-grade wing and didn't want to walk to the cafeteria. Dr. Cohen was in that meeting and said yes we can do that. The water cooler came Monday and is going outside the technology room in the 4th-grade wing.
  - 2) Also met with Mrs. Trimble to add books to the library.
  - 3) Today they met in the cafeteria with Mrs. Dixon about snack ideas.
  - 4) Also surveying kids at different grade levels about what they want outdoors for recess. Hoping the PTO can help out with that.
- 4th-grade Chorus: Every student in the 4th-grade joined this year, except 3 students. The chorus is going to do Christmas Caroling. They will sing to one grade level at a time in the cafeteria (2 kids at a table at a time, similar to lunch).
- Thanked PTO and parent volunteers for the holiday shop.

## 5. Past Events:

- October 11th-20th: Fall Book Fair; Kelly Lucier,, Erin Fater
  - Earned \$3,000 in free books. \$850 in books were purchased for library. \$500 in books donated to kids via raffles and Good Neighbor program. Balance will be held until spring book fair, then shared with teachers to use at book fair.
- October Cook's Night Out (CNO) at Galliford's, Jessica Dunner
- October 28th: Pumpkin walk, Brenda Boudreau
- November 6th: Worcester Railers Clough night
- November 9th/10th: Teacher Appreciation lunch; Monique Dyson, Marina Claro
- November 16th: laser tag, Brenda Boudreau
- November 25th: Turkey Trot; Monique Dyson, Wendy Gama, Lyndsey Nickerson, Renee Wojdag: \$8,696.62 profit!!
- December 6th-10th: Holiday Shop: Kelly Lucier and Kelly Lomnicki
  - \$7,800 gifts sold! Including \$200 for our Good Neighbor program
- December 9th- Ceramic Paint night (Family Fun event) -Brenda Boudreau
   Connected and Inspired in Bellingham
- December 14th Clough Classic Silent Auction Winner Cora Halnon lunch with Mrs.
   Gallagher

## 6. Upcoming events

- December 15th: Gym Teacher for the Day: winner Claire Collins; from the Clough Classic raffle
- December 21st: Teacher Appreciation hot chocolate bar; Monique Dyson, Marina Claro

- December 23rd: Cook's Night Off at Papa Gino's, Jessica Dunner
- January 11th: PTO General Meeting
- January 14th: Worcester Railers Family and 4th-grade chorus event- Kelly Lucier
  - Chorus tshirts bought and delivered
- 7. What has the PTO purchased for Clough? (some of the bigger items below)
  - headphones for the technology room and various classrooms.
  - digital camera
  - document camera
  - classroom manipulatives
  - area rug (Mrs. Hardin)
  - special seating
  - ST Math JiJi incentives
  - Special chairs for reading in the library
  - Stylus pens for Mrs. Farley, but haven't heard from her. (Mrs. Gallagher will reach out to Mrs. Farley to remind her.)
- 8. On-Going Items
  - Fundraising
    - Boxtops Renee Wojdag (not as well as in years past; Renee will look into different incentives)
    - Amazon Smile choose Clough PTO as your charity to support
    - Dismissal sheets \$5
- 9. Open Discussion/Questions
- 10. Adjournment:
  - Wishing everyone a happy holiday!!

End Time: 6:55