

LINCOLN SCHOOL

HSA meeting minutes

Friday, February 12, 2021 9:15 am- Virtual

Co-Presidents: Roberta Furman and Mary Ellen Meehan

Co-Vice President: Desiree Cinque and Meghan LaForgia

Treasurer: AnnMarie Nieradka

Recording Secretary: Nikol Puco

ATTENDEES

Mary Ellen Meehan, Desiree Cinque, AnnMarie Nieradka, Nikol Puco, Mr. Adam Geher, Julianne Grosso and Lincoln school parents

AGENDA

- Presentation by Caldwell-West Caldwell Vice President Julianne Grosso
- Principal's Report - Mr. Adam Geher- Lincoln School goals presentation
- Teacher report- Mr. Adam Geher (attached)
- Review and approve prior months minutes
- Treasurer's Report - AnnMarie Nieradka

NEW BUSINESS

- HSA League encouragement
- Fifth Grade Promotion update
 - outside with various weather dates
 - Kudos to Mr. Steifbold for fantastic 5th grade portraits!
 - Pool party -- planning for it
- 3rd Grade Bike Rodeo -- contacting CPD to firm up 2 dates to accommodate all students. May also include 4th grade

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Kids Heart Challenge- currently underway.
- March 1(ish)- Spring Apparel
- End of March thru April-possible Read a Thon
- April 27 & 28th School Pictures

FUNDRAISERS

- Ice Cream Fridays -- February 5th, March 5th
- No Spring Book Fair
- In lieu of spring flowers -- switch to spring apparel sale 1st week in March. (More profitable and more covid-friendly)

NOTES

1. Cash on hand as of 2/12/21 is \$14,083

ACTION ITEMS

1. Recording secretary will email minutes to Rob Macri.

Lincoln School HSA Meeting
Principal Notes/School Report
February 11, 2021

1. Thanks to maintenance and custodial staff for snow removal
2. Faculty news

Kindergarten - Kindergarteners are becoming experts at addition! We've been exploring concepts of addition and are now writing equations using + and =. We completed our narrative writing unit and have moved into opinion writing. We continue to be proud of our students' progress with their sight word and letter teams recognition as well!

1st Grade- 1st graders are so excited to be exploring their nonfiction books. We have completed our “How To” writing and moved on to “Question and Answer” writing in our Informational writing unit. We are also continuing to learn all about subtraction!

2nd Grade- We are super smart mathematicians! We can add 2 digit numbers now! 2nd grade students are more comfortable telling time - using both analog and digital clocks. We are also good at counting money.

3rd Grade - 3rd graders are continuing to read nonfiction books. We are also wrapping up our opinion essays, which will be published soon. In math, we continue to work on multiplication and division. Our goal is to master 0-10 multiplication and division facts by the end of third grade.

4th Grade - The fourth graders are in the middle of a nonfiction reading and writing unit. We are reading informational books and writing informational pieces based on what we have learned. In math, students have started working with fractions and are having fun using manipulatives to help make meaning out of a concept that can be difficult. We are looking forward to exchanging Valentine cards with our classmates and making a special craft .

5th Grade - 5th graders are exploring the value of decimals using number lines and understanding the steps of adding and subtracting decimals through the use of base ten blocks and student made drawings. We are honing our persuasive writing skills as we research, draft, revise, and edit our opinion essays. We are reading and writing about a range of nonfiction text including articles, biographies, and even our read-aloud books about people who have and are continuing to make important changes in our world. These people inspire us to make changes too!

Special Areas

MUSIC - The primary grades are learning about one of St. Saens most loved compositions; Carnival of the Animals. 2nd graders have been learning songs of the sea. 3rd graders have been singing songs from musicals- currently focussing on the music from Peter Pan. 4th and 5th graders are learning about Aaron

Copland. I am excited to announce that the 5th graders will begin learning the art of bucket drumming! (We are waiting for the buckets to arrive- once they do, we will send them home with your 5th grader!)

ART - I am so grateful to you and your children for keeping the love of art alive during these extremely surreal times. I am going to start sending home paints and some more messy materials. This is an experiment. If anyone gets upset about this please reach out to me and I will return to less messy materials.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION - Kids Heart Challenge (Jump Rope for Heart) will take place during Physical Education Class during the month of March. There will be some optional activities that students can participate in outside of class through Flipgrid. Fundraising is optional and all prizes earned will be given out at one time a few weeks after the event ends.

3. Presentation about Lincoln School 20-21 Goals

4. Upcoming events:

- 2/15 and 2/16 School Closed
- 3/10 HSA Meeting at 7:15 pm