

## Providence Spring Elementary PTA Minutes

1/8/20

6:00 PM

Jane Armbruster, Principal

Transparency about how students are placed in classrooms:

- Linda O'Connor: In the past, teachers would fill out a form and test scores and behavior were taken into consideration. The teachers create the classrooms which are levied the office and counselors. Next years teachers review.
- Jane Armbruster: This year, we used a flow chart utilizing MAP scores assuring each class has a range of scores, we also included race and gender, letters from parents about placement are important and encouraged in this process.
- Traci Ryder: Some EC and IEP students were grouped together in classes per therapist request to better serve the students. Especially in upper grades to prepare them for middle school where all services are provided in the classroom

Lauren Shouvlin, President

- PSE is the first nationally accredited Paideia program in the country. PSE will hold an assembly to celebrate this honor on January 27<sup>th</sup>. Parents will be able to live stream this event from their home. The PTA will help provide a banner and words for the front entrance marquee.
- We won't have a Dad's Tailgate event this year. We have decided not to do the valentine cookie buying opportunity and there will be no Sweetheart dance.
- On January 18<sup>th</sup> there will be a PSE skating fundraiser at Winter Wonderland-SouthPark from 11 am-12 pm.
- There will be a community meeting next Thursday 1/16 at PSE to discuss overcrowding. This will be an open discussion session.

Peggy Conerly, Rocket Raffle

- The Rocket Raffle this year will have many grade level experiences that kids can have with teachers
- We have raised over \$16,000 with this fundraiser in the last 3 years.

- We have changed it somewhat so there is a greater chance for students to win this year.
- Tickets will be available on Pay for School Stuff starting on January 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Money raised from this fundraiser will be used for sensory spaces and outside learning keeping the whole child in mind. Options will be available for teachers to use both inside and outside- [educmarketingusa.com](http://educmarketingusa.com)

In attendance: Meghan Swedberg, Lauren Shoumlin, Ashley Lamano, Sophia Gibson, Peggy Wu, Genie Ombach, Gail O'Connor, Lindsey Kerr, Michelle Kidd, Megan Reif, Kathryn Lawrence, Lee Sugg, Peggy Conerly, Rowen Stryon, Scott Rauschenberg, Stacie McCollum