**Abbot School**

***School Advisory Council***

***Meeting Minutes***

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| **Meeting date** | 12/20/21 |
| **Time** | 3:00pm - 4:00pm |
| **Location** | Virtual |
| **Members present** | Lori McDermott, Jaime Kelly (SAC), Emily Sullivan (PTO) Lauren Allen (PTO), Jennifer Martinson (SAC), Juliette Wilkie (PTO), TJ Elder (PTO), Amy Dobski (PTO) Melissa Mackey, Karen Wiczynski,, Katie Lemire, Jessica Parrella, Julie Murrell, Nancy Beckwith |
| **Others present** |  |
| **Members absent** |  |
| **Discussion summary** | **Agenda item # 1 : Approve Minutes from both committees**  **November SAC meeting notes approved by Katie Lemiere, Seconded by Karen Wiczynski**  **November PTO meeting notes approved approved Emily Sullivan by Seconded by Lauren Allen** |
| **Agenda item #2 School Update**  **Discuss Virtual Sing**-Along will be led by Dr. Ferrari and the 5th grade chorus. Mrs. McDermott will be in the room too. Lyrics will be shared to all of the classrooms. Teachers will be projecting the meet, keeping classroom doors open between the rooms.  **Student Council Update:**  Catie’s Closet collected over 150 items. Students have promoted the events going on around the school with posters. Students would like new basketballs, nets and the basketball key drawn on the courts. Potential virtual movie night.  **Switching Lunches:**  Students will be switching lunches in January, so students can play and eat with different students.  **PTO Events:**  Possibly movie night and dance?  **Abbot School Play:**  Seussical, play has been double casted. More kids are involved now.  **DEI update:**  Leadership team has been meeting with Kalise Wornum. Our building level has focused on belonging and foundations of communication. Our next PD is focused on school safety and then our next meeting will go back to equity and inclusion.  Our Abbot team has focused on creating a book list to purchase for our library for $1400. We picked a variety of books that included many different members of our community. |
| **Agenda item #3 PTO Update**  **Whole School Arts & Enrichment Event:**  Possibility for Ooch coming. Is there money to fund him?  Katie will look into Ooch and fill out an inquiry form to see if dates are available. Where would we have this event? Could it be outdoors?  **Discussion:** Will kids continue to be separated? When will they be able to be together?  **Upcoming Events:**  Mini-grants applications coming in January.  School store on a cart in January- need to organize what we have.  Square One Art starts in January. There is $851 left from last year owed to the art teachers. Mrs. McDermott will let the art department know.  Square One Art is going to need to a new liaison  **Holiday Store Update:**  Very successful, about $2400 earned. Will work next year to improve the amount of items in stock. Discussion about the contract with the vendor to be discussed at a later date. |
| **Actions taken** |  |
| **Action items** | **Let Art teachers know about $851 funds.**  **Find a new Square One Art liaison for next year- post on social media networks and potentially the Abbot Update. PTO can give Mrs. McDermott information.** |
| **Agenda items for next meeting** |  |
| **Motion to Adjourn** | **Made by: Mrs. Lemire**  **Seconded: Mrs. Mackay**  **Vote: Unanimous**  **Time:5:06pm** |