Ames PTA meeting

Feb 7, 2020

8:35 call to order

Susan Wolfe, president

- -Board Positions for next year that will be open include: Co-President(s), VP of Fundraising and Events, VP of In School Volunteers, Assistant to VP of Cultural Arts & Educational Programs
- -Nominating Committee will have to begin and will be headed up by Dawn Eagleson
- -We are looking for ways to have more teacher/parent interaction

Diane Rimpila, Parent/School Liaison for "Best Buddies"

- -Polar Plunge benefitting the Special Olympics will be held at Oakbrook Aquatic Center Feb 29th.
- -Hauser "Best Buddies" program will begin to include 4th and 5th athletes
- -We plan to start an inclusion club/kindness club next year

Mr Gierman

- -Student Council is fundraising/coin collection for the Polar Plunge
- -Kindness week- collecting change for trees to be planted in Australia
- -Valentines day- the 13th (no school on 14th)exchanges will be at teachers discretion, but no classroom parties
- -Dress for weather...please remind kids to wear hats, coats, snow pants, etc.
- -Feb 28th end of 2nd trimester
- -March 11 = Report cards sent home
- -Science Fair is last week of March
- -Do Not send kids to school sick
- -Erins Law will be Feb 24th
- -No School Feb 14th and 17th
- -Community Engagement Meeting on 2/5...still looking at Playground Materials, getting permits, etc
- -Fence will go up and House will teardown beginning early March
- -Calendar: August 31st 2020 is first day of school. Last day will be June 9/10thish 2021.

Jen Butler-

- -Kindness week will be Feb 10-13th. \$ for trees collection, dress up days, kindness chains...should be a good week
- -Science fair will be week before spring break. Elizabeth Kos/Kelly Tabb are heading this up
- -Artist in Residence.... We are trying to lock down a week that will best benefit the program/kids. We are using Code/Play/Learn from Oak Park. It will be a great program that will deal with Robotics and Painting and Coding...

-Family Heritage Night is still TBD, but likely May 21st.

Fundraising-

- -Flipside event and Max Swim event are both tonight (2/7)
- -Mixed Bags is now called Boone Supply- should begin in early March
- -April 4th will be the Wolves Game Night. Stay tuned for more info.
- -Yearbooks will be online ordering only this year. Cheddar up/venmo.

NEW Business

- -we need more clubs/afterschool activities!!!!!
- -running club/wellness opportunities....Mr. Bartelt and Ms. Hall ???
- 10:30 adjourn