

Farmdale FPA Meeting Agenda  
September 14, 2020

Attending via Zoom: Micael McGovern, Crystal Shields, Christina Hance, Tricia Pearson, Samantha Weigle, Cara Flynn, Terri Meyer, Holly Gladfelter, Kristin Nikolaus, Andrea Nikolaus, Sue Forry, Erin Bossman, Erin Gosik, Lindsay Gregg, Melissa Reihart, Tracey Keller, Becki Meiss, Dawn Sauder, Jess Brandt, Jamie Kopp, Laurie Rineere

Meeting called to order at: 7:01PM

Minutes from: May 27, 2020

Changes: None

Motion: Cara motioned, and Holly seconded

Treasurer's Report (Crystal Shields): We approved budget last year, spoke of at last meeting. Things were able to keep the same even though only one major fund raiser- hoping to have both major fundraisers this year. Not a lot of activity yet this year. I paid \$205 for General Liability Insurance. Some hiccups with water cooler, but straightened out, or will soon. Did receive Giant A plus awards for \$1782.00 and I do not believe they are doing this anymore for this year, so that is not in the budget for this year. Scholarship was sent out last year for Scholarship winner. I have not received any Teacher reimbursement yet.

Changes: None

Motion: Terri motioned, and Kristen seconded

Principal's Input: (Mrs. Pearson) Hello to Everyone and Welcome Back. Safety plan is set into place, a lot of work went into putting plans into place. Every student is wearing a face shield or mask with frequent mask breaks outside with 6 feet apart. Cafeteria looks much different; we are utilizing entire cafeteria as well as half of the gym and only one grade at a time for lunch. Mr. Burnhardt has moved gym outside for class, so playground looks much different. One of biggest challenges is keeping and reminding students to keep 6 feet apart because they are children and they want to play and socialize. Farmdale Falcon wings and cement blocks on walkway in front of school are great ways we have been using as visual aids to help remind students to keep 6 feet apart. We have two new Fab 5 members this year who have been great with coming up with ideas for students to have fun safely. We want kids to enjoy themselves outside, we want mask breaks, we want business as much as possible, school as normal as possible but need all cooperation and appreciate all help and flexibility. As safety guidelines change, we will change as well- but until then I feel strong responsibility that your students are safe at school. If anyone has any questions, concerns or suggestions I would love to talk with you, please call me. When I talked to Michael prior to the school year regarding plans for the school year and was asked what we can do, the question is *how and when we can do it*- due to safety reasons. A huge thank you to everyone for their hard work and support both over the summer and when school opened, I really appreciate all the positive words of encouragement.

Teacher's Input: (Ms. Weigle)- Faculty Representative- My name is Samantha Weigle, and this is my 2<sup>nd</sup> year teaching 6<sup>th</sup> Grade at Farmdale. Thank you so much for your support and patience, not only as FPA, but as Family. I was talking to Social Committee Chair, Jenn Miller, regarding the Social Committee possibly having funds to help get us new t-shirts. I think that was in a possible plan for FPA last year, so maybe they can help as well. I know we did get a water delivery today so hopefully that scheduling is cleared up.

Micael McGovern explained that the water coolers are something that FPA provides for teachers to re-fill their water bottles throughout the day. These are especially important with the wearing of masks.

Ms. Weigle: one teacher questioned regarding reimbursement, would you rather paper or electronic?  
Crystal: It really does not matter as long as it gets to me. I come to school about once a week, but whatever is easier for you.

Ms. Weigle: Mrs. Miller mentioned a possible Fundraising Socially Distant Zumba event maybe at a local park, where we can charge a few dollars per family or person. More information could come from her. Thank you for the coffee and snacks during in service day.

SPAC Report: First meeting is Wednesday September 16. Kristen and Andrea Nikolaus are SPAC Reps.  
Kristen Nikolaus: The Superintendent has 4 meetings over the course of the year with individuals from each of the buildings to talk about district issues and to get parent feedback on different topics. If anyone has any questions you can email Kristin or Andrea and they will take the questions to the district meeting. I have some questions for this meeting and will report back at our October meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Sue Forry (Room Parent) Room parent info emails went out. If you did not get an email about helping with the FPA, classroom directory and room parents, then ask your teacher or let us know. We are asking for patience with Room Parents, in light of everything, we are asking for everyone's patience- but we are working in it. I am happy to have Erin Brossman helping me this year.

Micael McGovern: If you did not receive email from your teacher that asks you to fill out a room parent form or a start of the year packet please let me know which teacher you did not receive this from. If you have more than one child in the school, you should get one from each child's teacher- but you only needed to fill out the form once. This is the first time we have went 100 percent digital and is quite different. We have 500 students in the school and have not gotten back 500 responses yet.

Erin Gosik (Staff Ambassador) waiting on how many people are willing to donate their time and treats to get list together. Ms. Weigle already spoke about the awesome snack we provided for the meeting you had- Starbucks and candy. It was quite easy; I provided the snack and Alicia at the Front desk did a wonderful job laying it out. If anyone is interested in volunteering please let me know so we do not have any duplicates schedule for the month. The purpose is to give a small treat to say thank you to the teachers and staff for their hard work.

Cara Flynn: Are there any guidelines or rules as to what is allowed?

Mrs. Pearson: What is best is not homemade. Thank you in advance for all this, the teachers really appreciate these small gestures.

Erin: (yearbook) I am going to be meeting with Mrs. Pearson and Alicia to schedule sometimes to take pictures of outside events and recess- I am not allowed to go inside the school. I have been getting some filler photos. I have been getting some pictures when kids got off bus in the mornings and going in the school. Picture Day is October 2<sup>nd</sup> and the virtual students will be the same day, but in the evening. They can schedule 4-6:30pm.

Mrs. Weigle: From Teachers standpoint, if we know kiddos can have pictures taken and we take pictures in the classroom, do you want us to send them to you?

Erin: yes.

Mrs. Pearson: As of today, I have not received any forms saying that a child is not allowed to have picture taken, if that changes, I will let you know.

Jamie (festival) No major updates as of now except that the company that is doing the Bounce House and they carried the deposit from last year to this year. I reached out to them and asked if need be, can we carry the deposit again from this year to next year and they said yes.

Micael McGovern: (not on Agenda) If you are chairing an event, then your name has gone on the in-house chair list. It has your contact info (email and phone number) and the event you are chairing. I will not give this out publicly. If anyone needs to contact you, they will be given your email only at first. Veronica Pilon oversees figuring out who is volunteering for what this year.

Our events are not *when can we do them*, but it is *how we can do them*. Some events are happening, and some need some work to figure out.

If I do not respond to your emails, please text me to remind me of your email.

Sue Forry: Should we send out room parent/ volunteer again? Maybe a reminder for families since the digital is new? Should we ask teachers to re-send?

Micael McGovern: Good idea. We have approximately 500 students and at this point we have 94 people respond to the volunteer page and 88 people responded for room parent. We should have about 300 responses and always could use volunteers.

Melissa Reihart (Falcon Dash) 3<sup>rd</sup> year of Falcon Dash. Students collect money and sponsors and they have about 45 minutes to walk or run around trail at Farmdale. It has been successful in past. This year is a bit more challenging to keep everyone safe and follow guidelines in place. Possible dates for this year are Friday October 30<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Friday November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Pearson: Those dates look fine, I emailed you time schedules (lunches, recess, intervention and specials) that needs to be worked around. A zoom meeting can be set up to talk about schedules and safety protocols, masks or no masks, supervision along trail, one or two grade levels at the same time in different areas. Zoom meeting scheduled for them 5pm on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

Micael McGovern: (Falcon Cart) We are trying to figure out how we can use the Falcon cart/ fish tickets without coming into the school. Any ideas would be great, please send to me or Aubrey.

Round Table: Erin Brossman excited to be working with and learn from Sue, everything that has to do with Room Parents.

Holy Gladfelter I am the Box Top Lady. Setting a new goal of \$500 for this year with possible pajama day for reaching the \$500 goal. Something went out in email about Box Tops, if you have any questions please feel free to ask.

Kristin Nikolaus- money back from Amazon Smile and Stauffers. Re -send email/ FB page info for this free money.

Crystal Shields added Coca Cola Give- collect the caps, put the code in and search for Farmdale.

Water, Gatorade and Lemonade is also included. Their website has all brands that included.

Terri Meyer- yearbook email address is [Farmdaleyyearbook@yahoo.com](mailto:Farmdaleyyearbook@yahoo.com). We just have teachers sending photos there, not parents due to private policies.

Lindsay Gregg if you have anything that you wanted to be added to Farmdale FB page, please email me what you want added- pictures are preferred.

Becki Meiss: can Micael emails address please be included for future correspondence. Also, in agreement for re sending class directory and volunteer forms.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:08pm

Next Meeting: October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm via Zoom