**Pioneer PTSO Meeting Minutes 01/09/2023**

Attending: Liz Kolb, Lindsay Vlasak, Jennifer Burks, Jenni Wilkening, Michele Loewe, Lorenzo Romeri, Laura Houk, Laura Florence, Dani Jones, Laura McEwan, Heather Cavanaugh, Jodi Wilkins

Called to order at 7:02.

1. Principal’s Report - Jenni

* MLK assembly on Friday
* Dr. Williams’ last day was 12/22, interviews for Principal will be scheduled soon

2. Winter Dance - Friday, January 20

* PTSO will email Dr. Hyliard requesting a date change because of illness/masks and basketball game, move it to Saturday 1/21 or later?
* Volunteers - have 7 volunteers so far, will ask for additional help
* Decorations - PTSO will provide funds for decorations and supplies

3. Discussion of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion—

PTOC Questions: "How does your PTO approach DEI and reaching out to under-represented members of your school community? For example, do you have an Outreach Coordinator? Or an Inclusion Committee? An Equity Chair? Or a checklist of inclusion focused questions to ask in making decisions or planning events?"

* Input from staff - Jodi Bullinger? Social Workers? Counselors?
* Input from students - clubs?
* Inviting all parents to general membership meetings
* Does PTOC have advice, best practices, expert advice, goals?
* Pio PTSO would like to participate but would like advice
* High school PTSO is a small part of the group of parent organizations
* General membership meetings - 2 - 9th grade visit, Capsule Night

4. Staff Appreciation – Lindsay

* Supply Drive and Candy Buffet Tuesday, February 14
* Specific asks for staff appreciation will go to the staff appreciation budget

5. Funding Requests — Jenni

* $200 Mr. Robinson - observation guides for astronomy approved
* Jenni will check to see if the Math Department has enough compasses, etc.

6. Treasurer Report – emailed from Lorenzo

7. Looking forward to future PTSO meetings

—Open meeting in the annex with Q&A with admins in Feb or March?

* Tuesday 2/7 9th Grade Incoming student night
* Student panel
* Admin questions
* Listening to parents

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Laura Houk, Secretary.