



F O S M e e t i n g M i n u t e s

Date: 2020 11 12

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1. Call to Order 6:14

2. Minutes from last meeting

- Read + Approve-**minutes and agenda have been added to Wordpress site per Jenny, will need to be added to page with help from Jessica**

3. Treasurer's Report

Get expenses, and others from amber

4. President's Report

- Monthly updates
 - Principal Appreciation gift delivered to Dr McManus from FOS
 - Halloween Parade wrap up-**It was a great event, kids had a great time, were well behaved. Was quite a success!**
 - November newsletter wrap up-**We discussed distribution of the Newsletter with Ms. Jean. We discussed how to include the middle school kids. How to use newsletter to build community and help people connect. Book club idea to use to small, local book stores to obtain the book. Use Facebook, or Instagram to promote items from the newsletter. We discussed picking one event versus multiple options. We decided to let the newsletter launch and then will go from there.**
 - Artome Art Show rescheduled
 - **What does FOS need to do for this? Do we need to push out some social media spotlights to make sure people are engaging in the art show. It will be a virtual Art Show. Parents will be able to go online and look at art and purchase your child's art.**
 - Outstanding Agenda Items-all items on hold at this time
 - Items discussed with the alderman (during the summer)
 - Cleaning out rooms in basement for extra classroom space
 - Are SmartTVs installed
 - IFly tickets
 - New Business
- None**

5. Committee Reports

- **STEM Strong Newsletter** (monthly – publish 1st one Nov 1)
 - Any feedback on first newsletter?
 - *Regular Features*
 - “Getting to Know”
 - Additional FOS board members **for December were suggested.**
 - Ask specific teachers to fill in questionnaire for December
 - Anyone willing to help write content for December newsletter? **Jenny, Ms. Jean were interested in helping out.**

- **Virtual Game Friday Nights** (dates: one per month?)
 - FOS will host or arrange virtual games. **Try to get kids together to play games, video games on Friday Night. Roblox game night. Pictionary night. Fortnite room. We decided to do a 30 minute game night once a week using a white board share on Zoom. We decided to do a trial run with FOS families before launching to entire classes.**
 - Ideas?

- **“Where Will the Journey Go?” Book Fair** (December? Publish right before winter break?)
 - Each class writes a book by having one student write a line, then another student reads what was written before and writes the next line. Where will the journey go? We discussed doing later in the spring. We discussed how to obtain content, how to manage it using a GOOGLE doc. Approach teachers to see if can be done as a Fun Friday Activity
 - FOS will virtually publish books for STEM community to read.

- **Film Festival** (promote before winter break? Collect content for release right before spring break?) **We extensively discussed the best timing of launching this idea, how to collect videos, what type of videos to ask for. Discussion is ongoing.**
 - The idea is to have kids submit prerecorded content for the STEM community to watch from home.
 - Options for content could be:
 1. Kids can write + make short films.
 2. Kids can submit “talent show” type performance.
 3. FOS can pose a list of questions for kids to respond to, video recorded from home. Those videos would then be compiled by someone (as class projects maybe or, for younger kids, by volunteer adults). Some questions could be:
 - a. What is your favorite thing about e-learning?
 - b. What is your least favorite thing about it?
 - c. What is the favorite thing your teacher has done during e-learning?
 - d. What is something that you learned about yourself during Covid?
 - e. What is something new that you or your family have started doing during Covid?
 - f. What is the first thing you want to do when we can get back to "normal" after Covid?

- g. What is the hardest part about Covid?
- h. What is your favorite joke?
- i. What does "Black Lives Matter" mean to you?
- j. What have you learned about people because of the "Black Lives Matter" movement?
- k. What would you like people to learn from it?
- l. What do you think would decrease the violence in Chicago?
- m. How would you address gun violence in Chicago?
- n. What do you think about the riots and looting that happened in Chicago this summer?
- o. What would you say to people who participated in them?
- p. Why do you think they happened?
- q. What makes a good leader?
- r. Is there a leader that you look up to and admire? Why?
- s. Is it important to vote? Why or why not?

We also discussed doing Netflix, or Amazon Prime movies as a virtual party. Doing K-2, 3-5, 6-8 parties. We discussed how to contact all teachers to provide our teachers information on what FOS is up to.

6. Marketing + Communications + Newsletter

- Update from Jessica on website updating. Not addressed.
- Any suggestions for changes to the website? Not addressed.

7. Teacher's Report-na

8. Student's Report-na

9. Announcements-na

9. Adjournment-8:05pm

To do list:

- 1-Flash social media posts promoting November 2020 newsletter.
- 2-Find families that might be interested in getting to know you on upcoming newsletters.
- 3-Virtual game event pilot on 11/14/20.
- 4-Trial Vid-Hug for film festival.