**Burrell PTO Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, October 14, 2020**

**7 pm Webex**

4 Board members

13 Parents

2 Teacher Representative

Principal

**Meeting started at 7:02**

* **President's Welcome** 
  + Introductions
  + Thank You room parents for helping with the friendship book!
* **Principal’s Message**
  + Each week has gotten better!
* **School Nurse and Counselor**
  + Counselor: has been doing Kindergarten lessons online, and will be going into G1-4 classrooms soon. She will be working on friendship building and conflict resolution. Bullying: is repeated, makes the person on the receiving end scared, and has a power differential. Most of what happens in school is conflicts, not bullying.
  + Nurse: Kids are doing a great job wearing masks. Remember that cloth masks need to be washed each day if they are going to wear the same one, and disposable masks need to be replaced each day. If you could reminder students to stay 6’ apart from each other, that would be appreciated. Please remember to conduct a daily symptom check on your children. A copy can be found on the school nurse webpage. If you have clothes or shoes to donate as extras, the nurse is happy to take them. These items can be sent in a backpack or dropped off at the office.
* **SEPAC representative**
  + Special Education Parent Advisory Council: Provides education and support to families that have children with special education services. They help all students with IEPs and 504s, not just those with severe needs.
    - They do not provide legal council or be legal advocates.
    - They do provide resources and support.
    - Everything is highly confidential.
    - Basic rights workshop will be held in November so people can understand what rights are guaranteed under the law. More info to come.
* **Treasurer’s Update**
  + Budget approved
* **School Council**
  + Rachel Rogovin and Sarah Caracciolo are our new school council representatives!
* **Committee Updates**
  + **BIT –** no live event this year, but they are working on a few ideas.
  + **Chess Wizards –** A flyer will be in this week’s blast with a 5% off code. The program is being run online and there are lots of different times available. The Burrell will also get 5% of your fee back for the PTO.
* **Questions/Comments?**
  + Computers – no update as of now
* **Adjournment @ 7:45pm**