

Link to Meeting Materials and Zoom Recording: [Meeting Materials 5.11.21](#)

I. Welcome (*Dena Porter, ASFS PTA President*)

- Dena welcomed everyone and provided an overview of the meeting agenda.

II. No Place for Hate at ASFS (*ASFS No Place for Hate Lead, Aileen Mavity*)

- Ms. Mavity shared a presentation on the No Place for Hate initiative at ASFS.
- She shared accomplishments this year including: forming the school-wide equity team, the kick off of No Place for Hate, completion of a preliminary survey of staff, and establishing priorities for 2021-2022.
- Ms. Mavity shared examples of student's work.
- She also shared next steps for the program including expanding the equity team, identifying and implementing practices to address 2021-22 priorities, signing the pledge and completing three school-wide activities, going through a school "audit" using the district tool, and addressing concerns as they arise.
- Ms. Mavity asked for parent involvement, and shared a link to an interest form.

III. Principal's Report (*Mary Begley, ASFS Principal*)

- Ms. Begley thanked the ASFS teachers and staff members in attendance, and thanked parents for their support during Teacher Appreciation Week.
- Ms. Begley thanked Rabia Oubenadi for all of her efforts for ASFS.
- Students in grades 3-5 will be taking SOLs beginning next week Virtual students are able to take the SOLs on Mondays, and Ms. Proietti is the contact for questions.
- Hard copy report cards were recently sent to families for Q3.
- Students are currently working on poetry units.
- Ms. Begley has enjoyed working alongside Claire Peters and Lynn Kataria on ways we can keep in contact with Innovation Elementary School.
- New Playground equipment will be installed this summer by APS.
- The relocatables have been removed from the school blacktop. The blacktop will be repaved and then will be repainted.
- Students have been able to eat lunch outside.
- Ms. Begley thanked Dena for all of her hard work and willingness to continue serving as President of the ASFS PTA.

IV. PTA Business

- Dena reminded everyone that electronic voting is open through EOD Wednesday, 5/12.

UPDATE EOD 5/12/21: The ASFS PTA membership voted electronically to approve the following items. The ASFS PTA Tellers Committee confirmed quorum with at least 10 active PTA members in support of these items:

- 1) *The April 2021 ASFS PTA Meeting Minutes*
- 2) *The Innovation PTA Proposal, which includes:*
 - *An initial \$10,000 start-up donation from the ASFS PTA to be delivered on or after 5/13/21.*

- *Splitting the ASFS PTA assets as of 6/30/21 minus the initial \$10K donation for an even distribution of all ASFS PTA assets between the ASFS and Innovation PTAs.*
- 3) *The 2021-2022 ASFS PTA Officers:*
- *President: Adena Porter*
 - *VP Fundraising: Olga Kasyan*
 - *VP Community Service: Kristen Jeffreys*
 - *VP External Affairs: Steven Leutner*
 - *Treasurer: Jay Kaveeshwar*
 - *Secretary: Amanda Sutton*
- Kristi Tsiopanas, Treasurer, provided the Monthly PTA Budget Report.
 - We supported Teacher Appreciation Week and did another transfer from reserves.
 - Kristi encouraged anyone who needs a reimbursement to request it as soon as possible.
 - Dena shared the proposed 2021-22 ASFS PTA Committee Chairs.
 - The new board will confirm the new 2021-22 committee chairs.
 - Dena shared information regarding other roles that need to be filled, including a volunteer to help with the PTA website.

V. PTA Updates

- ASFS Announcements
 - NOVA District PTA Awards - Dena shared news that Ms. Hawthorne is being recognized as an Educator of the year, and ASFS is a STEAM Engagement PTA of the Year Honoree.
 - Odyssey of the Mind won 2nd place over the state of Virginia and will be competing in the Virtual World Finals Competition.
 - Dena called for volunteers for the ASFS PTA Welcome Committee, which will ideally include 2-3 parents for each grade.
 - PTA Thank You's – Dena expressed thank you to the many volunteers who have helped with ASFS initiatives, and these volunteers are included in the slide presentation.
- PTA Reminders
 - School photo packages were sent home with hybrid children, and are available for pick up for virtual students. Photos can still be ordered.
 - ASFS Yearbook orders are due by Monday, 5/17.
 - School Supply Kits can be ordered online through Friday, 6/30.
 - There will be prizes for those who walk to bike to school on 5/12 or 5/13.
- Upcoming Events
 - A new family information and Q&A Session will be held on Wednesday, 6/2.
 - Rising Kindergarten playdates will be held throughout the summer.
 - The Silver Diner To Go ASFS Family Night will be held on Tuesday, 5/25 from 5pm – 8pm.
- APS and School Board Updates
 - Leigh Rex, the current VP External Affairs, shared dates for upcoming APS Meetings and the next School Board Meeting, as well as information on the

budget and Summer school town halls.

- Steve Leutner, the incoming VP External Affairs, shared additional updates including updated boundaries for middle and high school students in the next year. There is an effort to more accurately capture planning units. Currently there are projections that middle schools will not have enough seats in coming school years.
- He also shared some current ideas for the new capital improvement plan:
 - The County has evaluated schools for spacing and HVAC systems.
 - Some school kitchens are below standards, which includes ASFS.
 - There might also be updates to school security/entrances.

VI. Innovation Elementary School Updates (*Claire Peters, Principal, and Lynn Kataria, Innovation PTA President*)

- Lynn shared the next Innovation PTA meeting will be on Tuesday, 5/18, to discuss upcoming events, fundraising initiatives, and committee chairs needed.

VII. Upcoming ASFS Dates

- Monday, May 17th - Friday, June 11th - ASFS SOL Testing (3rd-5th Grades)
- Monday, May 24th - ASFS Rising Kindergarten Playdate, 3:00-4:00pm (ASFS)
- Tuesday, May 25th - Silver Diner To Go ASFS Family Night, 5:00-8:00pm
- Monday, May 31st - NO SCHOOL (Memorial Day)
- Wednesday, June 2nd - EARLY RELEASE
- Wednesday, June 2nd - New Family Q&A Session, 7:00-8:00pm (via Zoom)
- Monday, June 7th - ASFS Rising Kindergarten Playdate, 3:00-4:00pm (ASFS)
- Tuesday, June 8th - June ASFS PTA Meeting, 7:00-8:30pm (via Zoom)
- Wednesday, June 9th - EARLY RELEASE
- Friday, June 18th - Last Day of School (EARLY RELEASE)