

PTA Meeting: August 18, 2020

Start: 3:30

End: 5:30

Attendees: Tracy Killian, Valecia von Weise, Erin Phelan, Anne Anderson, Sara Schiffer, Jamie Winter, Michele Olivier, Stacy Trent, Kelly Urbanowski, Amy Smith, Carla Beale, Jill Fletcher, Christine Mohr, Grace Willhoit, Molly Lucas, Sarah Duffy, Maggie Brecht, Jodi Sewell, Andrea Stapleford, Sarah Burrows, Erin Sorce, Kelsey McMaster, Todd Johnson, Bailey Fiegl, Stacy Trent

Agenda:

1. **Budget review and approval** - see attachment
 - Total Assets - \$470,698, Total Already Committed - \$244,400 + holding \$50,000 for playground and our goal is to hold \$100,000 in reserves.
 - Can we support school with \$25,000 additional funds this year?
 - How successful will fundraising be this year?
 - Currently we are down 30 students bringing the deficit to \$150,000 - 29 boundary students opting out. We don't want to pull too many choice students in lower grades so we can avoid a bubble next year.
 - Voted to fill gap with \$25,000.
2. **Back to school night overview**
 - An invite for Google Meets will go out from Valecia, and then individual teacher invites will go out for their classrooms. Valecia will speak for 30 minutes. All sessions will be recorded.
3. **Missoula - Kathryn R and Becky L would like to formally cancel this year. Deposit of \$500 will be refunded.** Couldn't figure out a safe way to do it, because Missoula employees need to stay with Bromwell families.
 - It is typically every November - is there another creative way to do a community play/event? Maybe buff up Steve's Shakespeare Club?
4. **Back to school social events - popsicle hand out? Kona Ice deliver? Back to school coffees?**
 - Bromwell Movie Night - still do Brothers BBQ
 - Popsicle - can Kona do a route along 7th Ave?
 - Dine Outs - rebrand to Dine In - take out and delivery of meals - make a playlist or movie to accompany the dinner
 - Send email/communication that is very direct about families signing up for Amazon Smile so school can benefit.
 - Is it possible to do Roving Dinner Party? Instead of Roving, can families simply get together in back yards for happy hour? Families can make their own groups, start and/or finish with a bike ride on 7th ave?
5. **Communications update - room parent coordination and communication plan for the year - see attachment.**
 - Amy Smith - really focused on what parents' need returning to school, trying to keep families connecting with each other. Strong role for Room Parents this year.
 - Going to try and streamline everything via Seesaw. Some teachers using Google Classroom and Calendar, but we should be able to have links to those Google tools via Seesaw.
 - There is a new blog for Bromwell. Maybe use this to share stories to show how things are going, keep people connected