

MINUTES

HSA PTA Meeting

May 19, 2021, 8:45 am | Meeting called to order by Melanie Walsh

IN ATTENDANCE

Melanie Walsh, Lydia Vincenty, Erica Ashlock, Jen Donnelly, Mira-Loh Trivedi, Mary Anderson P, Emily Casey, Maria-Paz Shariff, Trish Davlantes

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Arts partnership needs more funding. 30K for the last few years, but hard to source the same programming for the same amount so we've had to reduce materials and time with students. Quality of program has gone down because of that. Need closer to 50K if we want to continue the kids of programming we've done.
- Staffing: Prefer not to staff .5 positions for lots of reasons so trying to fully staff. We got a reduced class size position; might be able to keep him. Going to ask K parents for funds for the other aide. We fund Pesch direct.
- Capital project –100K; putting on a new tear-off roof, fixing masonry, structural improvement and painting. At first we were told it wouldn't affect rentals but now safety issues. Going to be staging on our parking lot for the summer so can't rent that either. All summer, supposed to end Aug 20.
- Back to school fall: Planning for return to normal, business as usual, trying to fund primary the way it is now, it's just a budget issue. No idea what remote options will look like in the fall.
- Overall needs are 200K - need 150 just to keep going then 50 for the arts partnership. Learned that turf rentals during the day in the summer have to be canceled because of the capital project; only evenings are an option. Also toying with idea of keeping 20 class kids per day in primary but it costs a lot. Measurable gap between raffle cubs match and gala we're off about 45K from the 200K needed.
 - Mira wondering how best to make use of leftover gala events. Need recording of event to help raise funds. Important to consider opportunities because some people didn't set up account or go into.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

President:

- Trish has lots of needs for next year; goal to have K 1 and 2 keep 20 kids per class next year. 3/4/5 pullouts like last year. May need small cash call. Need to time it right.
- Sent out the slate we'll vote next meeting. It's a mix of people who have been around and some new and younger families. Goal is to try and carry on traditions and history and also allow for new ideas. Lots of focus on fundraising and sponsorships. Always looking for sub-committees (eg, walkathon).

Fundraising:

- Gala: Great participation during live event. 223 registered. High numbers since that number can be double when you think of families. \$121K from everything that night. Net was 96K. 2 raffles for the Peloton was a success.

Community Engagement:

- Raffle: Raffle went great, kids were really into it. Blake and Pantoja ended up with a really nice rivalry. Third grade won and Pantoja/Blake outraised everyone. All prize winners were reached out to. 4 classrooms had 100% participation. Got the cubs match.
- Considering another art night. Looking into dates for a fall fest.
- Spirit wear: Getting ready to send orders home with kids. Exploring an online ordering platform.
- School supply kits: Going to do again; usually have 30 to 50% of classes participate.

NEXT MEETING

June 16, 8:45 am.