

McKinley PTO Meeting Agenda

Google Meet Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ktm-hrmz-fpj>

January 23, 2023

6:33- Meeting Starts

Principal's Report

- Mama Mia this week - Encourage everyone to join and see the hard work that teachers + students have done.
- Tickets can be pre-bought or they will be sold at the door.
- If there is a snow day and the performance is canceled a make up will occur the following week on the same day.
- Lost & Found is OVERWHELMING! Please have your students pick up their items before January ends because they will be donated then.
- Morning Drop Off - Drama kids will be making a video to explain the proper drop-off procedures. Dropping them off at the corner of Russell in front of the school clogs up the bus lanes and dropping them off on the opposite side of the street is a safety issue for students. It is important that guardians follow the drop off rules.
- Desks, promethean boards etc are in and are being put together to go into classrooms. 8th graders are getting laptops from the district.
- New Gifted Committee - all guardians should have received an email. Gifted education at SLPS needs to be revamped. Right now, it is accelerated in nature but not true gifted instruction. The entire gifted school district will be going through a transformation over the next couple years.
- HS has received 500 applications. Increased their number of incoming students to 125.. Able to get an additional social studies teacher spot. There is a transfer process right now where other teachers in the district can request to come to McKinley.
- Survey from parents and students from this fall are in the process of being analyzed to find out how this will continue to shape McKinley
- Shadow days for current 5th graders will be in mid-April
- Discussion about McKinley Speech & Debate team possibility for the future

Executive Committee Update

- Spirit store through Tiny Little Monster coming soon - hope to have this up and run in the coming weeks. We will share that
- Any MAGI parents know the status/availability of 5th grade 2020 Wyman funds? - That money was transferred back to the general budget and not earmarked to rollover to future years. It would need to be requested by a current MAGI parent to use some of the money from the current budget to be used for the 8th graders. An email will go out to the 8th grade parents to get volunteers to get this opportunity going.

Fund Drive Review/Results

- Raised \$17,238 (\$15,988 + \$1,250 outstanding match donations)
- Yearbook ad sales will help increase total funds raised
- Goal was to raise between \$21,675-27,850. Can still accept donations - may need to cut budget lines in the spring or pull from carryover balance to meet needs

Treasurer Report

- Budget Update: \$13,184 - bank balance, about \$30K at SLPS Foundation and \$100 from Venmo for a total of \$43,143.70. \$10 K of this total is allocated to the 8th grade trip.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Signup at https://mckinleycjpto.membershiptoolkit.com/sign_ups

- Teen Town (2/16) - Need about 7 volunteers to help (keeping an eye on the door, handing out pizza, etc) right after school
- 8th grade events - will need about 5 volunteers.

All School Social Event

- Ice skating at Steinberg -Sunday, January 29, 2023 10 AM - This is free to Mck middle schoolers and is \$10 for parents, other siblings, etc. We have about 60 kids signed up. Flyers were put up at school this week

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdfqoxfDYM6EuhA9WgY6ELfAyOCfZWuFKxCG5N78EQxzmGKUQ/viewform>

Teacher Appreciation Update

- Sign up to donate snacks for teachers' lounge - need snacks, drinks, coffee (Keurig)
- Sign up for February First Friday Staff Breakfast on Friday, February 3rd
 - ***Need someone to help coordinate day of - Krista will be out of town***
- Teacher Appreciation week (May 1-5)
- Book Donations for book swap shelf
- Snack and book donations can be dropped off via kids through the office

Yearbook Details

- Free yearbook for every middle school student!
- Ad reservations are currently open - <https://forms.gle/VJN1uaoeypzswiiz7>
- Link to submit photos - anything and everything school related - bit.ly/MCJAYearbook

Fundraising Competition Update & Details

- Details - <https://mckinleycjapto.membershiptoolkit.com/cashprograms>
- 8th grade won the last competition

General Comments

- Are Zoom meetings the norm? - Zoom is a holdover from Covid times but open to changing the format if people are interested.

7:05 PM - Meeting Adjourned