



**PTO Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 21, 2020
6:00 pm Washington School Library**

**NOTE: The PTO Board Meeting originally scheduled for December 17, 2019 was cancelled and agenda items were moved forward to the January 2020 meeting, per vote of the Board on 12/10/19.*

Board Members in Attendance:

Michael Paskin
Anna Stump
Tara King
Shannon Schroeder
Anne-Marie Matthews
Dustin Todd
Lilia Hine
Kelly Milazzo
Kim Kotnik
Elizabeth Wagner
Cari Menchaca
Jamie Crystal
Kristie Chapman

Staff Members in Attendance:

Christina Giguere, Principal
Justin Mack, STEM Teacher
Maria Rivera, Resource Specialist

Parents in Attendance:

Viktoriya Filippova
Eryn Hecker, Party Book
Timothy Lee
Sarah Matheson, Party Book
Stephanie Poole

1. Michael Paskin, PTO President - Michael called the meeting to order at 6:03pm. Welcome to 2020. Hosted PTO/PTA president meeting, 6 attendees.
2. Christina Giguere, Principal – Welcome to 2020, and to Ms. Rivera and Mr. Mack. School Site Council to meet February 3, 4:00. SBUSD \$11M budget deficit. Encourage everyone to attend Board meetings / read minutes and reports. Per Michael, Superintendent Matsuoka mentioned property tax shortfall this year. New Dashboard data shows that Washington is a little behind in chronic absenteeism (measure of overall school success). Mrs. Granger spends roughly 60% of her time on absentee-related issues. Schools suspensions in red/orange too. Academic achievement is up, particularly in ELA and Math. CAASP-based, 3-6 grade. ELL indicator – 54% are progressing, we look forward to that increasing. Uptick in inappropriate language on campus, as young as Kindergarten. Staff are helping students work on P.R.I.D.E in this area. Need a parent in charge of yearbook – Stephanie Poole volunteered. Please take survey that went out re: dual immersion program Fall 2021.
3. Anna Stump, Vice President - Move-a-Thon Update: Working on sponsors, goal \$70k. Sponsor goal 15-20 at \$750 each, we have 10 so far. Tri-Valley Trophies will do t-shirts. Should we hit up business boosters? Elizabeth will do so. Logistics are falling into place



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re: stations, volunteers, etc. Kick off at Monday Morning meeting Monday, March 2nd. Pledge packets to go out in advance of that meeting. Anne-Marie to send Parent Square message asking for any potential new additional sponsors, and follow that up with request for station leads. 4-6 students will vote tomorrow on t-shirt design. Room parents to manage sizing for t-shirts. Could we do a banner including all t-shirt sponsor logos to hang on the fence? Yes, let's do it.

4. Shannon Schroeder, Communications Chair – appreciation to Party Book committee, doing a great job, successful events! Michael concurred.
5. Sarah Matheson & Eryn Hecker, Party Book committee – Ugly Sweater party lots of fun; just waiting for final check from Cliff Room. Tamale sales were phenomenal, would love to do it again, but was a lot of work for committee and coordinators. Jingle Jog was fun, good turnout. Return to Elings next year or back to Shoreline Park? Consensus that Shoreline was better. Father-Daughter “Sweetheart” Dance upcoming February 8th. Mother-Son event April 4th, needs another host or two. Need to book campout. Grassini will do Moms Night Out in April. Painting party Sunday, April 19. May 29th “Come Sail Away” year-end party at Yacht Club.

Science Night coming up Thursday April 23rd (Jamie Crystal).

6. Tara King, Treasurer
We have money in the bank, December's payroll about to get paid. Gala timing will be when we need a big influx. Party Book has helped a lot and MAT will too. With expansion of enrichment, Mrs. Giguere & Tara have been discussing hiring help on-site to deal with discipline and other issues happening during enrichment. Will be covered by enrichment budget, no problem. Spring schedule to be published in next few weeks.
7. Dustin Todd, IT Chair – Party Book ticket sales keeping him busy, he appreciates having Kim Eubank helping with all of that.
8. Michael addressed PTO email communications. Please make sure to name them “searchable” subjects so past emails are easy to find.
9. Open Discussion – Stephanie Poole brought up cancellation of La Cumbre Junior High's Core Knowledge program two days prior to transfer deadline. Due to parent feedback, program has been extended two years. Parents should attend board meetings to speak up on this, particularly current 5th grade parents. SBUSD Board Meeting is next Tuesday. Also, requests canopies for lunch tables. Can PTO raise the money and ask the district to do it? Ongoing struggle is not financial, but rather district guidelines that are difficult to navigate. We will continue to replace free-standing umbrellas as needed.



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10. Michael concluded with report on his meeting with PTO/PTA Presidents and Vice Presidents. In short, Washington PTO does things well relative to other schools. Some have a hard time getting parents to show up, respond to emails, support the needs for materials in the classrooms, volunteer. We can model what has been successful to help others. Other PTO members welcome to join in future meetings. Appreciation to group in attendance for showing up and committing to help our school.

Meeting Adjourned 7:36

Next Meeting: 2/18/2020, 6-8pm, Washington School Library