

2018.09.25 Meeting Notes

- Headsets set up and used with translator.
- Co-Presidents, Tania and Deanna (TC) welcome everyone/ introduce the executive board
 - Explain PTA is everyone, not just exec. Board
 - Explain how PTA works
 - All parents of 516 students have a voice.
 - Explain what PTA does:
 - Advocate for families
 - For ex. curriculum/ workshops/ healthy lunch options
 - Communicate: help 516 families stay informed.
 - Facebook
 - Emails
 - Plan & Run Activities such as:
 - Book Fair
 - Hispanic Heritage
 - Winter Carnival
 - More this year!
 - Fundraising
 - Smallest part of PTA activity
 - \$ for class trips and extracurriculars
 - PTA holds fundraisers
- TC Describe PTA Goals:
 - Help more parents get involved/ informed/ volunteer
 - PTA meeting as a place to come and share
 - Encourage families to use their PTA membership
 - Get AC for the multi-purpose room → raise \$!
 - Develop After-school Options
 - Support enrichment programs
 - Such as art, music, photo → expose students to new ideas
- TC Describe Steps to achieving goals:
 - Plan PTA meetings
 - Recruit volunteers
 - Coordinate with School/ all the meetings help connect and communicate.
 - Manage Finances
 - Share concerns and suggestions with school
 - Parents join and lead committees, volunteers propose ideas.
- TC Describe How parents can help:
 - Plan/ volunteer
 - Join/ lead a committee

- Raise money
- Translation

- All Review Budget
 - Copies passed out to review
 - Translated via headsets
 - TC notes Childcare/ translation \$\$\$ is higher this year due to goal to increase participation
 - Unanimously approved by show of hands.
- SLT Updates
 - Members introduce themselves
 - Tania also brings info to Presidents council
 - All discuss info from last meeting district 15 application process changes.
 - Application will be a full-on lottery, no screening
 - Families will rank by order of favorites
 - Increase equality/ decrease segregation
 - Back to school night is thursday 4:30 -review schedule of events
 - No childcare but children welcome
 - School Clothes Update (Tara Bringley)
 - Tara explains uniform vote was a draw - school spirit clothes instead of uniform.
 - Online or print order form for school clothes available
 - All orders due by 10/12
 - Tara Bringley will address shipping charge issue. If parents already paid shipping SLT will get them a refund.
 - A parent asked if sizes/ samples can be made available pre-order. SLT will look into.
 - SLT will plan another round for spring if this is successful and people like the products.
 - Hispanic Heritage Update (Tania Zurulnik)
 - Next event 10/19 Friday
 - Discussed last year's event and how this year will be same/or different.
 - Volunteers needed
 - There will be a flyer in folders with info
 - Volunteers should talk to Tania or fill out flyer
 - Class Parent (Carrie Fleming)
 - Carrie presented class parent program idea
 - Looking for (2) parents/ class
 - Will help teachers distribute into: 1hr/ wk
 - Opportunity for more time with teacher.
- Questions/ Suggestions?
 1. Q. Would it be possible to have family friday events and workshops in the evenings to parents who cant make it in the am can come?
 - A. Evening events are trickier due to teacher availability. Events like pajama jam and steam night are opportunities that exist for evening classroom visits, but the workshops, which are curriculum/ social/emotional based could potentially be made available outside of Family Fridays.

2. Q, Could the videos be made available online?

a. PTA could potentially upload video of workshop to PTA website

- Raffle!
- Thank you!