

PTC Meeting minutes - Tuesday, September 3, 2019 Marie Murphy ITC

Attendees:

Kain Osburn - Superintendent
Krisetn Moore - Dir. Pupil Services
Bingling Zhou - Treasurer
Amanda Hoffmeister - MM Teacher Liaison
Sumit Dhar - Board Member
Sara Shepard - AW VP
Anne Heinz - Innovation Grants
Ross Friedman - Dir of Volunteers
Melissa Schiffman - Dir of Membership
Elizabeth Weismehl - AW Teacher Liaison
Peter Ogden - MM Teacher Liaison
Emily Patten - MM VP
Dorothy Elfring - President
Ranjana Paintal - Parent
Joanne Routsolias - Parent

Meeting opened at 7:05

District Updates

Superintendent Osburn provided an update about the Viking fund and its purpose. The group asked questions about fund use and qualification. Superintendent Osburn will discuss with the board and respond. The PTC will mirror BOE guidelines to help students and families with different activities using similar qualification criteria. Teachers provided information about history of scholarships for the Springfield trip. No information was available about support for DC and outdoor education trips. Qualifications for free/reduced lunch is being used as a starting point.

New Position Acting Assistant Treasurer; Jigna Prabhu will occupy this position. The plan is to have the person in this position transition to become Treasurer after two years. At the end of the term as Treasurer, the person would have served a total of 4 years.

Finances

The group has reorganized into a formal PTC with its own EIN and 501(c)(3) registrations. The PTC is in good financial help with reserves and cash at hand of approximately \$72k. The group is committed to donating \$5k to the Viking fund and continuing all activities. They will incur a total of \$1300 in expenses related to legal and registration fees pertaining to the re-organization. Need to find out the rule regarding amortization of start up fees.

Budget passed by a vote of 9 For.

Events

Back to school activities, including teacher lunch, have been well received. MM parent orientation and ice cream social are two remaining back to school activities.

Membership drive has been ongoing, but numbers of members registered so far was not available. Volunteer recruitment appears to be going slight better as compared to last year.

Innovation Grant

There was some discussion about the purpose and size of the innovation grants.

Teachers wondered if there would be more interest if the size of grants was bigger or if the application process was less onerous. The PTC will consider these ideas before formally announcing the next round of grants.

Fundraising

Fundraising Director is not present, there is a need to have a meeting on that on its own. The meeting will be open.

Subcommittees

No reps from sub-committees present.

Other/New Business

Meetings are generally the first Wednesday of every month and take place at Marie Murphy for the school year. Open meetings have been put on the district calendar. Executive meeting dates have not been posted.

8:27 Move to adjourn