

Sakai PTO January 2018

Attendees: Lee Muir, Mitzi Haley, Alicia Bye, Jim Corsetti, Kathy McGowan, Carrie Corns, Larry McGrail, Lisa Timmins, Nicole Leiker, Joy Tappen, Dawnae Whittlesey, Brenda James, Samantha Everett, Gina Weibel

Principal's Report: Jim Corsetti - Jim showed a short video clip of a Broadcast sample - ended by a fantastic video about perseverance. The new climbing structure is a big hit and is working well. The PE classes have been used as a time to review rules for the space net. The salmon tanks are up and running, and there will again be two release locations this year: The stream and the attached pond. The release will occur the week before spring break. There was a brief review of the ongoing efforts to make the stream more accessible. A few specific items that the PTO has funded this year: If you want to see these grant-funded items in action: If you go by Amy Evan's classroom, you can see the standing desks in action. Room 203 is the maker space suite, and it is up and running with high levels of attendance. Thanks for helping fund these projects. There was also a brief discussion about the Youth Orchestra performance on March 2nd - confirmed with Joy Tappen.

Budget Report: Lisa Timmins - Lisa sent the profit/loss statement to board members yesterday. In general, we are still in very good shape because of Mathathon. We are basically \$15,000 ahead of our initial funding goals. The book fair profit was very comparable to last year. There is a large amount of money in the bank - exceeding the budget significantly.

Discussion - Funding request for Conflict Resolution Club: Lee Muir - The request is for \$200 from Beth Hebert - She needs the funding for snacks. Interested kids have already signed up. They learn CR techniques at a day long retreat and then have weekly meetings. At least 20 children participate, and both 5th and 6th graders are involved. Consensus is to fund under the "Extracurricular" expenses.

Spirit Wear - Mitzi - She is close with the final design, and we should be able to order by the end of the month.

Volunteer Coordinator's Report: Carrie Corns - Upcoming volunteer opportunities - Next week we need help in the Science Resource Room at Woodward on Wednesday the 10th. We still need to fill several timeslots - especially 1-3. She's going to send another online ask. And at the end of the month, we will be hosting conference lunches for teachers - that ask will go out early next week. On Valentine's day, we will need parent helpers to sort food for and load the truck taking food donations to Helpline house - sorting, loading and unloading. That ask will go out mid-January. Morgan Rohrbach will help Carrie coordinate the volunteers for the salmon release - the next event on the horizon.

Enrichment Report: Kathy McGowan - February 1st, Living Voices/La Casa will put on a presentation - a presentation about Mexican immigrant workers. Kathy was wondering if the Spanish Immersion students might be able to do either the Broadcast and/or an introduction? Jim agrees/also thinks this would be a great idea. Carrie, Kathryn and Mitzi will discuss how to put this together. In mid-March tied in to the Salmon Release, the shoe recycling project will get underway. So please continue to save your shoes! There was a brief discussion of storage options for what is anticipated to be a large amount of shoes. Kathy is starting to launch programming about disability rights and awareness district-wide. If

you happen to come across any videos or other things that feature disability issues, please pass those along to her.

PTOCC Report: Mitzi and Lee - A brief discussion went on about Educulture and how we might be able to integrate this into our kids' experiences at Sakai - possibly as an enrichment experience? BSF auction is coming up on February 10th. It's at Wing Point from 6-10 pm. Details on the website. February 14th at 9:30, the Woodward PTO will be discussing the principal search - if anyone has any interest in participating in this. Tuesday January 9th from 4-5 pm, there will be a coffee at the Bainbridge Library with Peter BK and BSF - Open to any interested parties. Next Tuesday at Woodward at 6:45pm, there will be an emergency preparedness meeting - the fire department and police department will be there to give information. There will be an announcement going out to the community regarding this event. This is a meeting for parents. February 1st, Eagle Harbor will be hosting an Outward Bound meeting at either 6pm or 6:30pm in the board room - Please verify with EHHS in advance if you are interested in attending.

*Mitzi and Lee plan to confirm dates for upcoming events with Mr Corsetti in the next week and put together a newsletter to let people know about winter and spring events.