

## Sakai PTO - December 7, 2018

**Attendees:** Jim Corsetti, Morgan Rohrbach, Smiley Grace, Nicole Leiker, Lindsay Browning, Courtney Cook, Alicia Bye, Lai Niimi, Lori Hungerford, Kathy McGowan, Shannon Treverton

**Approve November Minutes:** Alicia motions to approve, Morgan seconds, all approve.

**Bingo Recap:** Morgan - The night was a success. There were around 50 people and the potluck idea worked well. We will probably repeat this in February or March.

**Volunteer Update:** Lori - The book fair went well, and there is a break before the start of the new year. The next big event will be the food drive in February and then they will start working on coordinating for the salmon release. There will be a small need for help with setup for winter arts night, and the teacher lunches for the .

**Enrichment Update:** Kathy - The cold weather gear collection went well. Partnering with Storyville was a success and they enjoyed their increased involvement. The TREX campaign is doing well so far - we are already at capacity daily without much publicity at all, and students are already working together and with high school students to weigh and sort the plastic. It will gear up after the first of the year. Though student involvement is already underway, that will also ramp up after the break. Remember that there are also drop sites at T&C and Safeway.

**Arts and Traditions:** Jim Corsetti - The Leaving Our Island forum will be the first Wednesday in March. There will be 19-23 visitors that have primary connections to the Japanese Internment during WWII. The students have a reading course leading up to the forum in preparation. The Living Voices presentation will also be given for all of the sixth graders. Next Thursday, Kay Sakai will be at the school December 13th at lunch time - this day is her 99th birthday. The kids will be able to come by to wish her Happy Birthday. Some classes are working on individual presentations, and the art classes are working on paper cranes for decorations. Any Sakai community members are invited.

**Principal Update:** Jim - See above. The teachers and staff have generated a wish list for budgeting reasons going forward. He will get it to the board for review going forward. Thank you for the emergency supplies grant! There was a brief discussion about the safety of the bars on the playground. There have been some injuries associated with the bars in the past and some this year too. Jim went on the broadcast yesterday and gave some stricter guidelines about using the bars. There was a discussion as to the pros and cons of volunteers and staff supervising students. We could utilize parent volunteers also going forward if people are interested - the volunteer coordinators will put out a request for this - specifically on Wednesday when Jim is not on the playground. As far as other playground equipment, the current allocation of \$1000 for recess/PE equipment remains to be spent.

**PTOCC Update:** Morgan, Smiley and Lindsay - There is a movie called "Like" (important information about social media) being presented on January 9th sponsored by Raising Resilience - tickets are available on the Raising Resilience website. Dr Hellman is a professor at OU - he is giving a presentation sponsored by BYS and several of the PTO's including Sakai - centered around hope. This talk will be January 22nd: BYS is trying to bring a message of hope to students on the Island, and his presentation is central to this effort. Tickets will be for sale on the BYS website. There was also discussion about the February levy that is coming up - the allocation being asked for is for the 100 Building at the High School and renovating the HS commons. We can pass along general information - have to walk a fine line without politicizing.

**Budget Update:** Nicole - Nicole presented the proposed/revised budget. This was provided to the board in advance and provided to all at the meeting. She gave an explanation of the expenses regarding the fundraising costs involved in using the website to generate funds for Maththon. Even though the fees are very large, the consensus was that using the website is still hugely advantageous for our fundraising efforts .

Alicia motions approval of the budget, Kathy seconds, all approve. The budget will be posted on the website in the next few days.

At the next meeting, Jim will present his wish list, and we will start working on spending the discretionary funds.

**Traffic Officer:** Morgan has been having ongoing discussions about the possibilities around the possibility of having an officer to help with traffic/act as a crossing guard. She will keep us posted going forward.

**Broadcast:** There was a brief discussion about providing the Broadcast to parents. Jim is going to look into the possibilities.