

MAM Fund Meeting

8-20-18

Present: Jason Puskar, Meagan Schultz, Emily Laga, Mike Kirtley, Lindsay Loveland-Baptist, Ellie Cotter

1. Welcome
2. Minutes will be approved during the next meeting when we have quorum
3. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Update on reimbursements of flower boxes, tote bags and Lisa Kingery
 - b. Update on teacher discretionary fund
 - i. Discussion about how teachers are informed of available funds. The fund wants the staff to feel like they can ask for money for larger projects.
 - ii. **Ellie will write a letter to teachers reminding them that they can ask the Fund for larger project funds**
 - iii. More money set aside for professional development is a carry over and Joe plans on using for the whole staff
 - iv. Discussion about fall campaign and if we change the numbers in the budget based on the new fall campaign goals. Decided to keep at \$1,000.
 - v. Grant line as a place keeper
4. Update on the balance beam
 - a. Quick update on previous conversations
 - b. Jason proposes going through the bid process and installing a project all at one time.
 - c. We spend some time talking about a proposal from Ultimate Playgrounds.
 - d. Do we need to include things that are more adaptive for kids with special needs. Chess table? Do we need to circle back to the conversation about sand box and digging space?
 - e. We have a budget surplus and a consensus on playground equipment. Many think we should spend a good chunk of money on playground equipment.
 - f. **Jason will meet with Joe, Jen and MPS facilities people**
5. Forms and Photos Table
 - a. **If you are in town, please sign up for a spot. So far Ellie, Jason, Meagan and Emily have signed up**
 - b. Bags will be for sale for \$20.
 - c. Do we want a banner? How should we have it look? Make banners for other school groups? 3X3 Banner would work on many tables and at many events. **Jason will make the banner which may or may not be ready for**
 - d. **Jason will make a flier to hand out**
 - e. **Emily will make a sign up sheets for Simple Supper and Springfest**
 - f. Purpose of the table is outreach, fundraising, engagement and diversity

- g. Ellie will pickup water bottles from Lindsay and Emily and Ellie will bring coolers**
- 6. Simple Suppers
 - a. Jason talked with Lai King about continuing with Simple Supper. She said she would continue helping with the first event of the year as we look for a replacement.
 - b. Jason is waiting to hear when Parent Teacher conferences are in October before we schedule the first Simple Supper.
 - c. Should we continue with 3 Simple Suppers or should we do 2 instead?
 - d. We really need someone to help take this over.
 - e. Emily and Ellie will connect about potential community members who may be interested in helping**
- 7. Principal's Picnic Volunteers
 - a. Ellie will bring a crockpot of vegan dogs**
 - b. Meagan will take care of the food**
 - c. Emily, Mike, and Jason will check schedules and coordinate grilling**
 - d. Jason will get larger banners to hang up around the school**
 - e. Please come to this event as this is a place where we can shake hands, meet and engage with the community.**
- 8. Giving Tuesday Fund Drive
 - a. Emily and Meagan are meeting next week about creating asks and finding matching donors
 - b. Major question is how we collect the money
 - i. Discussion of how to collect money online - Could we do this through gesture? Could gesture be available year round? Will donors get tax letters if we go through gesture?
 - c. Envelopes will go home for kids. Brainstorming ideas: stickers, umbrellas, temporary tattoos, etc...for people who give.
- 9. Back to School Welcome Events
 - a. Jason will ask if adolescents would be willing to do a coffee shop on Sept 7th**
 - b. Fund will pay for coffee and baked goods
 - c. Print off fliers for pick up
 - d. Meagan will make a flier**
- 10. Springfest Update
 - a. Committee is meeting on Wednesday, August 23rd
- 11. Discussion of Fund/PTO/SEC
 - a. Do we worry about this? Do we consider having closer relationships with other groups? Should we merge some of these groups?
 - b. Invite people from the PTO and SEC to our next meeting to talk about the future