

## MAM Fund Meeting

9-17-18

Maryland Avenue Montessori School

1. Welcome
2. Approval of minutes from 7-16-18 and 8-20-18
  - a. **Minutes approved**
3. Discussion of PTO and MAM Fund coordination with Erika Stark
  - a. Erika Stark is the second year treasurer of the PTO talked about how fundraising efforts for the PTO are dwindling. They have a budget of \$6,000 to cover the things they do.
  - b. Is there an overlapping of efforts? Could it be coordinated better?
  - c. PTO Fundraisers: Script, Seroogy's (Chocolates), Small Shops, Makers Market, Spirit Wear
  - d. PTO's role is to coordinate volunteers, folders, cookies, potluck, Boswell books
  - e. Discussion of utilizing the PTO people power for certain Fund events and the Fund's desire to be involved in the school community
  - f. Discussion of PTO 403b status
  - g. Joe suggests one Fund member sit down with the PTO to synthesize these ideas.
  - h. Jason suggests PTO helps with Simple Supper
  - i. Joe brings up the SEC who wants to get more people to attend and be involved in the school community
  - j. PTO has a solid 20 people who volunteer and they can reach out to
  - k. **Jason and Alex will set up a meeting with PTO and Joe this week**
4. Principal's Report
  - a. Enrollment is looking good coming into the third Friday
  - b. Traveling music teacher funds will come out of Joe's budget not the Fund's budget
  - c. Conversation around enrollment, specifically the growing adolescent community
  - d. Discussion about expanding events to other locations in the community like Riverside High School
  - e. Conversation about retention of students
5. Treasurer's Report
  - a. **Joe will email Kelly for the year to date report for 2018 from the Foundation**
  - b. Question about how discretionary funds are distributed
  - c. **Mike will add another special education teacher to the special ed discretionary fund**
  - d. **Mike will change language scholarship language to not specify just Spanish and Chinese**
6. Update on recent outreach: forms and photos day and free coffee morning
  - a. Made a banner and set up a table and had a presence
  - b. Free coffee was a hit and also really great to have an event at the beginning of the year

- c. Should we do it again?
  - d. Discussion about how to get more people involved - Members will email interested parties
7. Update on balance beam
- a. Joe brings up the point that we may have to bring up other options at the meeting
  - b. Jason updates Joe on summer discussions and the Fund's desire to do a major installation. **Joe will bring the ideas to the staff to look for a consensus.**
  - c. Could we do one wood option and one metal option?
  - d. Joe sees this installation for the elementary kids and a place for adolescents to hang out
  - e. **Joe will follow up with John to set up a meeting. Jason will also follow up with Joe to make sure this ball gets rolling**
  - f. Timeline - If we can figure out what we want this fall we can really start a procedural push in January in order to start construction right after school ends
8. Simple Supper Update
- a. Not sure who is going to do Simple Supper
  - b. If Lai King isn't going to do it, someone else will need to coordinate
  - c. Set a date for Simple Supper this week!
9. Conference Night
- a. Can we coordinate a table with the PTO and FUND for conference nights?
10. Principal's Picnic
- a. Emily will bring two grills and start the charcoal
  - b. Joe, Andrew, Dave will grill with Mohammed
  - c. Meagan will do all of the food
11. Giving Tuesday Update now called "Matching for Maryland: A Fall Giving Appeal"
- a. November 12-16
  - b. We are able to use gesture for online donations
  - c. Discussion of communications and timeline
  - d. Talk about inclusivity of event
  - e. Conversation about stickers and bumper stickers
  - f. Spare change day to include kids - maybe a sticker for kids?
12. Springfest
- a. Chairpeople are organizing asks for specific things
  - b. First meeting is next week Wednesday, September 26th from 7-9 at Meagan's house
  - c. Meagan asked about reimbursement for hosting expenses for future Springfest leaders
13. Dynamic Stools
- a. Alex has a furniture vendors who will let us test the chairs
  - b. Cost is about \$100 each
  - c. Going to try two in Mr. Derek's room to see how it goes