

# PTA Meeting November 16, 2017

### PTA Executive Board Members

Stef Thompson, Co-Chair
Samantha Mendiola, Co-Chair
Rachel Walker, Advisory
Anne Krocak, membership
Jen Weiberg, Communications
Dawn Fedderson-Poindexter,
Communications
Katie Frey, Treasurer
Laura Randgaard, Secretary

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Approve October minutes
  - a. Approved
- 2. Financials
  - a. 8 requests-teacher stipends, mileage club approved, transportation costs for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade field trip.
  - b. Finalizing capital requests. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade received their stipends
- 3. Treats for parent forum on the 20th
  - a. Approve-Stef will pick up some treats for the forum
- 4. Hale Choir Performance
  - a. Music specialist asked if PTA could perform at an event. Looking for assistance in arranging a venue for the choir. Will put an ask in the newsletter for volunteer to work with music specialist. Dawn will post in the newsletter.
- 5. Crayon Recycling <a href="http://thecrayoninitiative.org/">http://thecrayoninitiative.org/</a>
  - a. Estimated \$50-100 to send the crayons off. Volunteer has agreed to orchestrate
- 6. Backpacks for teachers
  - a. Request for 6 backpacks for evacuation/emergency-approved funding
- 7. Principal request for outside fence design. <a href="http://putincups.com/">http://putincups.com/</a>
  - a. Requesting a little more information
  - b. Solicit some ideas from others about ideas that could incorporate the kids
- 8. MPS budget focus group recap
  - a. Three district office representatives came to speak with the focus group.
  - b. Format was a listening session
  - c. Discussed the survey that was pushed out families
  - d. Presented overview of the current state.
  - e. Once the survey data is collected, there will be a release of information
  - f. Actions/ideas-how can Hale support the larger Minneapolis public schools community. Is there a partnership we could form? Next steps is for members to think about some possible ideas to start to connect with other schools to see if there are opportunities to support.
- 9. Communications Co-Chair position
  - a. Voted for Communications Co-Chair

b.

## 10. UMN Research Study

- a. Hale PTA received information about a UMN study
- b. Looking for 1300 volunteers to study brain development
- c. Will post in the Newsletter

## 11. Site Council Recap

- a. Principle update was shared
- b. Differentiation was discussed
- c. Volunteerism procedures
- d. Classroom liaison

PTA meetings will be held at Mt. Zion on 57th and Chicago Next Meeting 12/14/17. Wine will be served. All are welcome!!