

John Muir School Parent-Teacher Collective (“PTC”)

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MINUTES for the December 6, 2018 PTC MEETING

Location: John Muir School in the Library
100 Walker Avenue
Ashland, OR 97520

- I. Call to Order by Laurie Green at 6:30 p.m.
- II. Roll Call: Laurie Green, Jace Green, Rebecca Gyarmathy, Carrie Eskenazi, Pam Kuhn, Dana Barton, Jim Bowers, Lisa Shelton
- III. Approval of the Agenda: Approved.
- IV. Approval of the November 8, 2018 Minutes: Approved.
- V. Reports
 - A. PTC President’s Report: Nothing to report.
 - B. Vice President Report: Nothing to report.
 - C. Treasurer’s Report: Jace reported that the checking account is off by \$100 due to the artist's checks from last year which haven't been cashed. Jace created a tracking spreadsheet for Scrip/Grocery Cash Back to make it easier to track the balance. Jace walked PTC through the balance sheet/budget to date.

Of note:

There was a \$200 donation to the Student Portable Pantry.
JMS earned \$62 from the Pony Espresso fundraiser/Dine Out day.
Venue rental includes deposit so we'll get half back
Rebecca has 1 scholarship request so far

Rebecca to follow up on an invoice from Elliott. Need to cut a check to Lani also. Rebecca will email them. Lisa Shelton suggested that hike-a-thon and giving month were too close together to ask family twice. Laurie says this was a pilot year for hike-a-thon, but we can revisit how to structure in future.

D. Principal's Report: Karan Johnson was hired to be a lifeguard at the Lake of the Woods event, however, he has not been paid yet. He moved and needs a check for \$50.

MLK update: MLK Event will be on January 18, 2019, starting at 12:30 and ending at 2:15pm with an assembly. MLK will be different this year. The MLK committee consists of music teachers from other schools and diversity inclusion

instructors who meet 1x per month to brainstorm the MLK vision at the Rogue River room at SOU. There will be over one-thousand people participating in the event this year. There will be a police escort starting at the bus ramp of the Ashland Middle School and ending at the Middle School gym. There will be music and performances. T-shirts available for sale \$5.50.

Announcement that food brought to school for sharing and school sponsored events needs to be store bought and labeled. Food brought to PTC sponsored events intended for sharing needs to be labeled with ingredients but can be homemade. Rebecca is waiting to hear back from the District on the official District policy concerning food labeling and manufacture. If bringing a store bought food item please bring the packaging and label listing the ingredients. For Winterfaire please label ingredients on a 3x5 index card.

Add District Food Policy to next Agenda.

E. Art Focus Sub-Committee Chair's Report: Carrie gave the art focus update. The art focus committee has hammered out the spring session based on student polls about what they'd like to learn. They aim to include:

Drama

Cooking and/or Back country cooking

Graphic Design

Photography and/or videography (Dave Hampton will teach videography)

Woodworking

Knitting (Laurel will teach)

There will be 6-7 electives, with no more than 12 kids in each class, grades 4th-8th. The committee is looking for parents to be the art focus teachers for the above topics for 9 weeks during spring quarter, running from 9:30-11am. Begins April 4 and runs through end of May. There is a \$100 stipend per teacher paid by the PTC.

Rebecca and the committee are also looking for an art focus coordinator, beginning in February. The coordinator is the interface between art focus classes, supplies, and the teachers. It would be great for the coordinator to shadow Lani in January before she leaves in February.

Art Focus committee is also looking for winter quarter art focus volunteer for Nassar's class. Laurie suggested Carrie contact parent Linda Serbu, who has been interested in helping with art.

Lisa Shelton reported that she'd be interested in popping in on a back country cooking class to talk through easy grain options for meals.

F. Portable Pantry-Box Top Sub-Committee Chair's Report: \$200 donated for giving month.

G. Grocery Cash Back Sub-Committee Chair's Report: Nothing to report.

H. Fundraising Sub-Committee Chair's Report: Discussed \$775 donation to PTC for giving month. \$62 from Pony Expresso from 15% sales donation; which was increased to 25% and \$62. Hike-a-thon is doing great with \$6077 in earnings thus far. 35% of families have signed up. Laurie will set up a sign-up area at Winterfaire

to help families sign up. T-shirt sales didn't break even considering the number of shirts given away. Still want to do this regardless because its a nice thing to do for new kinder class.

I. Executive Sub-Committee Chair's Report: Nothing to report.

VI. Old Business

Nothing.

VII. New Business

A. Winterfaire: Discussion and Possible Action: Jace read a written statement from Laurie Green regarding Winterfaire: WinterFaire is Dec. 12th. Starts at 5:00 with chili and cornbread sales, with performances starting after that. Jim will put together a slideshow. Place slideshow on Agenda for next time. Staff will also discuss the slideshow and comeback with ideas next month.

IX. Comments and Announcements: Jace and Laurie announced that they will be stepping down as PTC President and Treasurer at the end of the school year. They said they were honored to serve on the PTC for the past two years and will still be involved with fundraising and other subcommittees of interests. Will need to advertise the open PTC officer seat vacancies to solicit new volunteers.

Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Next meeting date December 6, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.