**PTO Attendees**

Dr. Annie Miller

Anne Branch

Liza Lampi

Lisa Tarter

Jeanna Gossett

Michael Bertz

Gretchen Bertz

Lind R.

Erin

Nisha

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Mike Briener

**Meeting minutes approval**

Liza Lampi approves the minutes

Michael seconds

**PTO positions for next year**

We need to fill treasurer position and other committee positions as we hope to have events we have had pre-covid

**Fundraiser**

Direct giving - $15000

Spirit wear open for sale, masks available distributed at school. April 20th is the last day to place an order for masks and it will be given on April 29th. Jeanne is giving stuff to middle school

Trivia night is this friday. Sold 7 tables and 30 tickets for people who will be placed in tables.

30 50/50 raffle and $1000 in sponsorship and we sold out.

Going live with a silent auction this wednesday or thursday. Close an hour after. Jimmy John night , portion of proceeds will go to west middle.

40 plus silent auction items. Golfing outings, ballwin club, Jewellery, will be at Jeanna Gossett’s house 2-5 on weekends.

$3000 combined from tickets, sponsorship, raffles. So far the cost is $700.

Mrs Miller offered to put silent auction items in school so Jeanna does not have to run around.

https://stores.inksoft.com/westmiddle/shop/home

<https://www.parkwayschools.net/Page/4145>

Liza has been sending communications through membership toolkit and thanking sponsors.

**Teacher Appreciation**

Anne Branch is working on 8th grade graduation. Working with Mrs Miller and Ellie for the celebration.

Ellie is going to have a desert food truck come and they can pick something on their way out. Virtual teachers will get gift certificates from nothing bundt cakes. They will also get some other gift certificates.

**Treasurer report**

Michael and Gretchen will present a budget.

Books updated through sunday.

Last month small income amounts. Doing well with the budget. 8th grade party and teacher appreciation should be in good shape. Fundraising overall is good, trivia is bringing more.

In the future we can intentionally budget however this year we were conservative.

$18300 net income for this year as we are doing it with a provider after expenses for spiritwear.

We spent programming, bottles etc $11000.

We budgeted $2000 under registrations.

Budget proposal for 2021-2022 put by board. Strike a balance between this year and the pre-covid year so we will be somewhere in the middle.

Major fundraising categories

Spiritwear

Direct giving

Trivia night

Did not budget pretzel sales gross revenue $3200 and cost $1300.

If the district lets them do it in building however not sure how to do it yet.

Parents were in school for that which they are not otherwise. Budget is a flexible document.

On the expense side for trivia night , direct giving etc , teacher appreciation etc or special projects there is room. Budget so if you don’t fundraising goal still would be fine

Aiming for $15000 budgeted for $10000. Part of the reason we made more because of projects.

Spiritwear sales aiming for $10000 revenue cost $5000 so net of $5000. If we sell in school it would be better.

Other categories trivia night bumped up to $2500.

Grants is an expense of $5000. 8th grade celebration $5000 and other celebrations.

Total Income estimated is about $30000 and expense is $25000. Room for $5000.

Fortunate that we have reserves, budget to leave a cushion.

Anne Branch moves motion to move the budget, Jeanna Gosset seconded.

**School news by Dr. Miller**

Mrs. Miller said they have to comply with safety so it will be a virtual celebration. Kids can do speeches and honor every student. Teachers will put 3 strengths on kids. Do not have a lot of choices. All middle schools will let the communities know. They have let parents know they can buy yard signs. It is $7 and if you want to deliver $13. School will make t-shirts. Kids look forward to walking through a virtual assembly. They enjoy it and will try to re-create outside. It is difficult to distance them. They will come up with a plan to do it safely.

PTO in a normal year would have put together a party. They can send home a package which kids can open, it will have 8th grade t-shirt and other fun gifts and decorations in the house for 8th grade celebration. Design is submitted by kids and due by monday. Next wed and thursday voting mechanism to choose design.

Watch the video which will play at 7 p.m. on June 3rd. Teachers will also do something special, it would be good to play it up.

Follow up on celebration, provide a nice deliverance for the virtual campus. Busy trying to figure out steps for next year. Sending out course requests soon. Virtual campus numbers quite lower have to take staffing to see who will be in virtual campus vs in person.

Will have Map testing and urging virtual campus come in and tested. There is a push to get testing. Test end of May. Planning for next year and hope not so crazy as next year.

District staying course and meeting virtual in school till June 30th.

It does not feel like real school will be character education and lighthouse doing things to conserve energy.

Liza asked if there is certain number to keep virtual campus. All districts providing a virtual campus as according to MO law they have to keep it. However numbers low so they were doing through Launch and it is expensive. So fiscally responsible to have their own. They thought it would be big however it is not.

Big news is the video Dr. Marty about west middle. On 20th town hall meeting will be interesting, who come from Pierremont do not want to leave west middle. Almost double south west and south. Large and if we need teachers cannot put them in the building. It is a win - win. Hanna woods would move in the southwest middle. West middle class size large and buses wrap all around. After answering questions will make a determination on the size of school.

With Covid makes it interesting. Eating lunch in a small gym and cafeteria. Other gym has class

7 PE teachers spread around. If raining outside, limited on space. Science renovation helped to re-size. Now have 7 spaces for PE.

Middle school is important to connect. Mason Ridge little bit difficult to move. Split schools are Mason Ridge (80%) and Highcroft (20%). In the past able to honor however cannot now.

West middle service hearing program, Keys program to keep youth program, handicap , ELL and Autism. Provides opportunity and diversity but creates challenges. It will be gradual.

Mike asked capital investment for an outdoor classroom. Don’t know a lot of people who have used it this year. Canopy provides shade right now its chilly. Some students were outside so will be used more. Some teachers go out with a protocol for cleaning. Not used for so long. Not so much space when PE is outside. They ordered 6-8 picnic tables when it is warmer to eat out. Kids are great and handling it however lunch could be depressing however they are just out 12 minutes. Sitting with kids from their class. Stay that course, in PTO trivia night auction to eat with friends.