

Maple PTSA Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2019

Amended on October 9.

Business Meeting, start time 6pm

Board members in attendance: Bao Ng, Gina Englund, Joy Raymond, Nikki Beall, Pam Chin, Agnes Gomez, Tiffany Koyama, Jen Seminarra.

- Events and Fundraising
 - Multicultural night, 10/24
 - K-2nd grade in the gym and 3rd, 4th and 5th grades stay in their pods.
 - PTSA supplies noodles to each pod: 3 large trays for the gym and 2 half trays per grade for 6 total.
 - To do: Joy Raymond calls order.
 - Ask: someone to pick up; ask at general meeting.
 - 6pm doors open; set up 5pm; Bao to change signups (4:30 previously). [Visit signnupgenius here.](#)
 - Gear order forms
 - Ready to be distributed through Kidmail, FB, chats, insert link.
 - Due date: 11/15; To do: Agnes Gomez will create small sticker with due date to be placed on the order forms.
 - Next step: check in with Jenn Gosma about envelope stuffing party for giving campaign and gear forms.
 - Trivia Night/Silent Auction
 - postponed for 1/23 due to boundary meeting Thursday.
 - Stables (venue in Georgetown) is set; Maple School is set.
 - For now more procurement; Joy Raymond collecting and storing procurement items.
 - Next step: market more procurement items and encourage experience-based donations.
 - Consideration for next year: larger auction for increasing budget demands.
 - Dance a Thon, 3/13
 - Needed: planning for this event, volunteers, subcommittee; Board members to work on recruitment for this.
- New Business:
 - Alternative ethnic studies book list
 - Request from 1st grade team for support in purchasing alternative book list with the Making Meaning curriculum.
 - Motion approved to support this project with \$560 for 1st grade books and plans to support rolling out to the rest of the school, about \$1680 (tentative numbers).

General meeting, start time 6:35pm

Attendance: Joy Raymond, Bao Ng, Summer Gallagher, Summer Hayes, Jennifer Wu, Pam Chin, Gina Englund, Agnes Gomez, Maria Herman, Jen Seminara, Jenn Gosma, Linnet Blumenthal, Tiffany Koyama, Christy Bowman-White, Lori Heniff, Katie Childs, Stephen Dooley, and Nikki Beall.

Welcome and Introductions

- Principal Update - Christy Bowman-White (Mason Skeffington unable to attend as planned)
 - Coffee chat this morning
 - Thanks to Bao Ng for assistance; an opportunity to listen to families.
 - Next coffee chat to be in the evening, date TBA.
 - Boundary Meeting on Thursday
 - Handouts from district circulated. For more information visit [Southeast Schools Boundary Change](#)
 - Opportunity for families to leave feedback using the "[Let's Talk tool](#)" (email address required but anonymous comment option is available).
 - What to expect at Thursday's meeting: brief introduction, scenarios given, then families break into groups for discussion on pros/cons/mitigation of the proposed changes.
 - Grandfathering (meaning current student stay enrolled in their school once the boundaries changed).
 - Please leave the district feedback that grandfathering is the least disruptive to families.
 - Staffing update
 - Remaining 0.2 FTE for a social/emotional/SPED support position now being filled by a substitute IA; this is a short-term solution until the budget finalizes.
 - Recent new hires doing great! (ELL, IA and intervention specialist).
 - Title1 status discussed
 - Maple is currently 45% free and reduced lunch.
 - For more information, visit [SPS Title1](#) or [WA State Office of Superintendent Title1](#)
 - Update 10/9, Bao Ng: per Ashley Davies in SPS Enrollment Planning regarding Maple's free & reduced lunch (FRL) number: "52.6% for the 2018-19 school year. We don't get updated FRL until the end of the 1st semester in Jan." (FYI the federal threshold for Title 1 is 40% FRL and SPS's threshold is 50%).
- PTSA President Update – Joy Raymond
 - Multicultural Night, 10/24 Thursday starting at 6pm
 - Gym: K-2nd grades.
 - Pods: 3rd, 4th and 5th grades.
 - To do: Summer Gallagher to pick up noodles for drop off at 5:30pm and plates #500.
 - Volunteer with [signupgenius](#).
- Fundraising – Jenn Gosma
 - Trivia Night/Silent Auction postponed for 1/23.
 - Fall into Giving: direct ask campaign
 - kick off at Multicultural Night 10/24.
 - 10/22 envelop stuffing party, volunteers needed, reach out to PTSA mapleptsa@gmail.com

- Maple gear – forms are printed; Agnes Gomez will have due date stickers for order forms at the stuffing work party and then ready for distribution for later that week.
- Treasurer Report – Jen Seminara
 - Financial handout circulated; highlights discussed.
 - Traffic Patrol fund (5th graders that patrol at crosswalks during arrival and dismissal times); Mason Skeffington plans to use this fund this year for the students like lunch
 - Teacher Razuri's classroom is up and running after using her stipend this year.
 - Student council (3rd, 4th and 5th graders are on student council, its second year); fund is not used yet and Mason Skeffington is encouraging them to direct the spending.
- Membership and translation update – Pam Chin
 - Plan to set up PTSA table at Multicultural night in the gym.
 - Information on PTSA and feedback with questions like: how would you like the newsletter shared with you? What area are you interested in being involved at Maple? What would make you more likely to attend a PTSA meeting?
 - Bribe participants with PTSA buttons.
 - Update 10/9, Pam Chin: Button making party Friday October 18, 2019 Staff Lounge 11:30am-1:30pm Bring a snack to share. Will be posting on social media / chat groups soon. Maple Monarch buttons will be available at the PTSA table at the multicultural potluck.
 - ASK: Volunteers needed for the table, contact Pam Chin or email PTSA if interested, mapleptsa@gmail.com.
- MASE - Maple After School Enrichment – Joy Raymond in Bill Eisele's absence
 - Started yesterday
 - PTSA supplying snacks, #220 per week; usually provided by nutrition services SPS but due to their internal issues, no snacks at this time.
 - ASK: snacks for after-school program and SCORES; email PTSA if there are questions mapleptsa@gmail.com
 - To do: Principal Bowman-White to talk to staff about next MASE from 1/20-3/30.
 - There are requests from families for outside vendors.
 - What is needed for afterschool programs provided by outside vendors?
 - Family cost: Using staff (current MASE) \$40-50 for 10 sessions; Outside vendors \$150-265 for those 10 sessions.
 - Check-in/checkout volunteer or stipend individual which requires claiming stipend on taxes; which was previously not successful/reliable.
 - Per Principal Bowman-White, on Tuesdays, there are conflicts for some staff participating in MASE with the school committee meetings; clarification: staff choose their days so a reminder about committee meetings for next MASE session.
 - Feedback from parents: unknown enrollment status, which was communicated via email.
 - For next MASE session, some changes:
 - Forms with clear deadline, translated, collect forms, lottery selection, enrollment communication, no payment until after enrollment is complete.
 - Clarification on enrollment: those waitlisted and/or 2nd choices were selected this year and last year as space allowed.
- School Supplies Update – Bao Ng
 - ASK: volunteer for this program next year. If interested reach out to Bao Ng or email PTSA mapleptsa@gmail.com

- Recent donation of pencil boxes #100.
- MOD pizza fundraiser update 10/9, Bao Ng: We raised \$197.50 at MOD Pizza!
- Amended 10/9, Bao Ng: We are still accepting family contributions for school supplies with a sliding scale of \$20-50/student.
- FEAT Family Engagement Action Team - Christy Bowman-White
 - Next meeting: 10/17 in the library at 2:45-3:45pm
 - Clarification: staff and families on this committee.
 - Upcoming meeting hopes to ask some questions: What do you hope for this committee? Why did you choose this committee? What does this committee do? How does this connect with other committees?
 - Further clarification on school committees which meet on rotating Tuesdays at 2:45-3:45pm:
 - RET - Race and Equity Team (First Tuesday) – 1st formal year with one family member on committee.
 - MTSS - Multi-tiered Systems of Support
 - BLT – Building Leadership Team (Third Tuesday) – current family members are Emily King & Bao Ng.
 - PBIS - Positive Behavior Intervention Support
 - For next meeting: Principal Bowman-White will identify which committees have open family volunteer spots.
 - For those interested, reach out to the admin team:
 - Principal Bowman-White cbowmanwhit@seattleschools.org
 - Daisy Barragan DaBarragan@seattleschools.org
 - Mason Skeffington meskeffington@seattleschools.org

Meeting end time: 7:40pm

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Next PTSA Meeting Tuesday, November 12, 6:30pm in the staff lounge.