

Moorlands Elementary PTA - General Meeting - January 9, 2024
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General Meeting held both in person at the Moorlands Elementary Library and over Zoom.
Meeting ID: 838 7867 3749

In attendance: Angela Soine, Molly Wiecks, Melissa Pope, Veronica Webb, Emily Whitten, Lindsay Frykman, Lisa Louth, Greg Thompson, Quinn Wyatt, Melinda Pederson, Lacey Borgen, LaTisha Joseph, Ralene Underwood, Emily Ondersma, Ann Church, Caroline Lupien, Nahal Li, Chris

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm by Angela Soine.

Approval of Minutes: PTA November General Meeting Minutes - Angela read through the November meeting minutes. There were no corrections, so minutes are approved as read.

Treasurer Report - Lisa Louth
January Treasurer's Report

-Committee Reports-

Membership - Veronica Webb, Melinda Pederson

- 299 Members right now!

Events - Liz Dawson, Katy Werner

- Parents Night Out - March 1st, 7-11p, \$60/person, Inglemoor Golf Club, 80s Prom theme

Volunteers - Quinn Wyatt

- Popcorn Fridays - next 2 months look good, but will need to fill a few spots for the last few months

Fundraising - Emily Ondersma & Carly Hansen

- Waiting to hear back from SnapDoodle
- Ice Skating Event is still going

Advocacy - Becca Chen

- No report at this time

Communications - Natalie Rendon

- Sending out Parents Night Info
- Info for Kindergarten Tours
- Moorlands Lost & Found Overflowing

Eprep - Nahal Li

- From Deb Fullerton (5th Grade teacher/Eprep) - sending thanks

WATCH DOGS - Greg Thompson

- Dads & Donuts coming up this Friday (weather permitting)
 - Maybe use the “Community Room” to have the event inside, if needed
- Currently have around 15 signed up

Principal’s Report - Emily Whitten

- Report is attached

New Business:

- We have approximately \$5K left in our teacher grant budget
- Teacher Grant - headphones (K, 1, 2)
 - Video submitted by Cindy Kaufman to provide more information
 - Hard for students to record in the classroom with ambient noises
 - The headphones that some students are bringing from home either don’t have a microphone or are also picking up ambient noise
 - Grant requested is for microphone included headphones, with noise-canceling
 - Proposal is for ½ class set per class (~12 in each class)
 - Estimate is \$3,362.83 for 132 headphones
 - Request is for 2 different sizes to accommodate younger students
 - Could we include these headphones as an option in school supplies?
 - Option to donate a pair of headphones to a classroom?
- Teacher Grant - AMIRA
 - Lacey Borgen
 - Piloted last year in the district
 - Can be used by students with the highest needs - to be used during “read-to-self” time
 - There is a price break for multiple years, so there are options for how to spend
 - Can move subscription to another student
 - Timeframe is 12 months - so, would cross school years
 - Research studies have been done to support use of the program
 - 20 min, 3x/wk seems to show the most growth
 - We would be able to see if it’s being used
 - Original grant was for \$2800, but price is lower now
 - Lacey has 24 students
 - There are additional students that could use it
 - There are probably 100 students between Lacey, ML, and Learning Center
 - 50 students would be a place to start
- Nahal Li moves to grant Cindy’s headphone grant plus 50 AMIRA subscriptions
- Melissa Pope seconds
- The motion passes
- The PTA wants to make sure that the recipients understand that we are supporting the long-term vision of these programs.

Other New Business:

- Families will start to hear on HiCap results starting January 29th
- We are looking for someone to head up Popcorn Friday for this month

Meeting called to an end at 8:18pm by Angela Soine.
Minutes recorded by Melissa Pope on January 9, 2024.

Please join us for our next General Meeting on March 12 at 7:00 pm!