

Board Members: Cheri Shoup, President; Jennifer Thorndyke, President Elect; Josh Kitchen, Treasurer; Molly Warren Secretary

Welcome and call to order at 6:32 pm.

Introductions: Board members and meeting attendees.

Review of February meeting:

Minutes from the February Meeting- approved

Board will look at the March 2020 minutes

Principal's Report:

440 students are currently enrolled 60 students are remote learners (15%)

Look into cost or donation for water bottles (reusable)

Brenda Jones - She will look into a Scheels water bottle donation

Treasurer's Report:

Parents can go to graceabbottpto.com to view the treasures report.

Josh removed several items from the budget: Fun Nights, 5th Grade Farewell, Dancing Classrooms, etc.

Expenses: Teacher wish lists, Original Art Works, scholarships, Walk-a-thon (dropped by 25% on both donation side and expense side), Yearbook, donation to the MPS foundation, crossing guards, etc.

Vote to approve the temporary budget: approved

Secretary Report: no report

Committee Updates:

● **Movie Nights (Maureen Kitchen)**

- Maureen will chair for 20-21
- Looking for a Movie Night Chair for 21-22
- 3 movie nights per year, concessions, Friday evening, school gym,

● **Youth Frontiers (Amanda Freestone):**

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● **Walk-A-Thon (Erika Rooney):**

- Walk-a-thon should we resume? T-shirts have been ordered, no dinner/dance, eliminating the price portion of Walk-a-thon to save money for the shirts due lack of sponsorship, top 3 classes get Kona Ice. What should the Walk-a-thon look like this year? Erika Rooney is planning and organizing. We are leaning toward a Virtual event with a one week window.

● **Fifth Grade Farewell**

- Looking for a volunteer to chair this committee. Erika Rooney will volunteer.

- **Yearbook (Jackie Ryba)**
 - Yearbook order forms went home, online
 - Jackie proposed printing the yearbooks at the end of the year and students would get them in the fall (21-22). Drawback: 5th graders wouldn't be able to sign or students who moved away.
- **Cash Rewards/Incentive Programs (Robin Matthes)**
 - Robin will continue to chair this committee.
 - Summer cash rewards: \$160 so far this year (TAGG, Amazon Smile)
 - New families: Bakers app and link your card and pick Grace Abbott our school receives a portion. Amazon and order through Amazon Smiles they can donate
 - Link Amazon App
- **Social/Welcome Committee (Marci, Molly)**
 - Shamrock Breakfast: March 6th, 2021
 - The Flapjack Guys have been reserved for this date.
- **Bricks (Erin Barry):** no report
- **Buzz Book (Kim Parker and Amy Henderson):** Amy Henderson and Kim Parker would help this year. Post Buzz Book info in a more prominent spot on the PTO website. Everything has been paid for this year's Buzz Book.
- **Fun night (Holli Vessley):** no report
- **Dancing Classrooms:**
 - No report
- **Original artwork (Debbie Smith):**
 - PTO is looking for someone to shadow Debbie for to be the Original Artworks chair.
- **Classroom Party Volunteer Coordinator (Kristy Gotschall):**
 - We will continue to have room chairs for teacher appreciation day, holiday teacher gifts, etc.
- **Hospitality (Erin Barry and Stephanie Ludwig):**
 - PTO is looking for someone to shadow committee chairs
 - Cheri will contact committee chairs.
- **Volunteer Recruitment and Recognition Committee (Jocelyn Nickerson):**
 - Cheri will contact the committee chair.
- **Educational Grant and Scholarship Committee:(Elena Nieto)** no report
- **Carnival**
 - Kristy is communicating with Fun Services. She will look into when we need to cancel by so we can obtain a refund if needed.
 - Carnival date: April 23, 2021 (Friday)

- The contract has not been signed as of yet. There is no deposit but there is a charge for the Bounce Houses.

Announcements:

- Fundraiser: Gator masks
- We can tie this fundraiser in with the Walk-a-Thon

New Business:

- Fundraiser: Gator masks
- Schools cannot buy their own masks.

Adjournment: 8:02 pm

Next Meeting is Tuesday October 6th, 2020