

McKinley STEAM Academy

PTA Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2022

Called to order at 3:04 pm by President Jennifer Patterson

Reviewed and Approved the April Minutes: Motion to approve by Angel West, 2nd by Kelly Bult

Meeting Attendees:

Jennifer Patterson
Christine Engel
Angel West
Kaitlyn Montgomery
Jason Martinez
Kelly Bult
Sara Brennan
Suzanne Coleman

Principal's Report

1. **Looking for a Robotics coach**—doesn't require any endorsement. There is a teacher who will be a "part time" coach. Parents can take this position as well.
2. Open House—Went really well. Staff said they had about 80% of students in attendance, which is huge.
3. Block Party...estimating 600+ by the end of the evening. Bear Paw: raised over \$400, which goes right to PBIS program, Bear Paw Store.
4. Climate Committee—doing Friday food days at times. Can go along with PTA bringing in treats
5. Red Carpet Treatment Program: We, at McKinley Steam Academy, want to build an inclusive community, focusing on the belonging of students, families, staff and neighborhood partners. This group will have the opportunity to join fellow families, community partners and district staff to observe and provide feedback in the following areas: Physical Environment, Welcoming school staff, and School-wide practices/policies.
6. NEW Committees we would like support for:
 - a. **Need GROUNDS COMMITTEE** to support McKinley...a group that supports a fall and spring clean-up. We are checking to see if the Boy Scouts could help(fall) and other group (spring). We will have a Green Team, responsible for grounds on an ongoing basis. Come together as staff, students and families to clean-up, twice a year.

**Please reach out to Jennifer Patterson if you are interested-
jjpatterson4@outlook.com**

- b. **Need assistance to help support** Sara Brennan has volunteered to be lead with the Grizzly Cove, 2-3 parents. They would help pick up food, organize it and distribute it on Fridays. Thursdays pick up food and organize it. Friday, distribute food after school. Working on possible meal plans versus just taking stuff. Probably serving 25-30 kids. Kids can request a form to fill out. Parents can also call and request. Staff also share names of those that could benefit. Kids can come randomly. Sara Brennan said she can pick up food and drop off. She can also help on Fridays. Pre-made bags will be made.

If interested in helping Sara Brennan with this committee, please email her: sara@sarabrennanrealtor.com.

- c. **Need assistance with Grantwood Room**, too keep up that space, preserve it. Celebrate McKinley's history and use this space as a formal meeting place. We need donations to help get this room updated to display the art we have.

Becky Lahart is willing to take the lead on this. **Please reach out to Becky if you would like to help becky.lahart@gmail.com**

7. Carla Riley-request next month...Jackie has a google form for teachers to request from PTA. If you have a request for the PTA please submit the form before the meeting to get added to the agenda
8. Grizzly Cove - Every event, bring canned goods as we are starting to see impacts to our supply coming in.
9. Student Council will start back up this year. A student council member will be attending our PTA meetings.

PTA Committees

A. Membership-Kaitlyn Montgomery: 31 PTA members currently. We have 5 or 6 more to add on to that. Asking staff to attend at least 1 PTA meeting this year. There will be a sign up. If requesting funds, they have to be at the meeting.

B. Staff Appreciation-Becky Lahart and **open spot** (Friday sign up treats, 2 conference meals and back to school breakfast) – **Please contact Jennifer Patterson at jjpatterson4@outlook.com if you want to join this committee**

C. ISASP Snacks-Jackie Mason

D. 8th Grade: Angel West, Mindi Dixson, Stephanie Felland, Jennifer Patterson & Christine Engel...Willie Guy said if Adventureland is an option, he will be a part of it. He is going to hold 3 on 3 tournaments and can use proceeds towards that trip. There will be an entry fee for each team. Fundraisers will need to get started soon.

E. Hy-vee Receipts & Box tops-Jackie Mason & Heather Wild has volunteered to help.

Budget for 2022-2023 school year – VOTE:

See attached report. Motion to approve by Suzanne Coleman, 2nd by Sara Brennan.

Treasurer report

See attached report.

New Business:

PTA meetings are the 1st Tuesday of every month. Time rotates each month.

Join our Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1016128052394389/?ref=share>

Motion to End the meeting by Sara Brennan, 2nd, Jason Martinez

****Join us for our next meeting: Tuesday, October 4th, at 6:00 pm, virtually.**

Google link will be sent out prior to the meeting.**