

CMS PTO

September 5, 2023

In Attendance: Dan Morgan, Jen Barnes, Sun Shine Hohman, Bahar Iranmanesh, Laura Warren, Adrienne Mitchell, Valerie Ghio, Diane Tarantino, Karin Stratton, Adam Hughes, Roeya Banuazizi, Kerith Harrison, Casey Miller, Elizabeth Guvil, Gunther Guvil, Jen Leighton, Eve Mauldini.

- I. Approval of August 23rd Meeting Minutes
- II. Treasurer's Report
- III. Cash for Cougar's Fundraiser
- IV. Staff Appreciation/School Events
- V. New Family Committee
- VI. 8th Grade year-end activities
- VI. Principal's Report

Meeting called to order at 8:08 am

- I. Call to Order - Sun Shine Hohman
 - a. Introduction of Karin Stratton, Executive Director at MEARTH
 - b. Approval of May 2, 2023 Meeting Minutes - Laura Warren moved to approve the minutes.
 - c. Introductions
 - d. Three Board openings for the next school year: President, Vice President, and Secretary (please reach out if interested)
- II. Treasurer's Report - Adrienne Mitchell
 - a. Review of 2023/2024 Budget
 - i. Motion to approve - Kerith Harrison
 - ii. 2nd - Laura Warren
 - b. Larger expenses are from the prior school year.
 - c. Teacher grants have been approved.
 - d. Important to reach Cash for Cougar's goal, \$60,000
 - i. There is a need to be creative to achieve the goal: soliciting businesses, sustaining gifts.
- III. Cash for Cougars Fundraiser – Bahar Iranmanesh
 - a. Goal: \$60,000 with and 100% participation (assists with Grant requests)
 - b. The drive ends on September 15, 2023. We are at 39% of our goal.

- c. There is a heavy reliance on donations for the prizes
 - i. Drawing for students - Sweet Reba's gave a generous donation for the event this year.
 - ii. Weekly Drawing held for parents
 - d. Karin Stratton offered to donate a Nature themed program on behalf of MEARTH
 - e. The PTO needs parent volunteers for the student party on Friday, October 6th. A sign-up Genius will be sent out.
 - f. Chipotle Del Monte Fundraiser will be held on Wednesday, October 4th.
- IV. Staff Appreciation/School Events - Valerie Ghio
- a. December: Holiday Cookie Bar for Staff
 - i. Will need families to donate cookies/baked goods
 - b. May: Staff Appreciation Week
 - i. Will need families to donate gift cards and students to write thank you cards
- V. Parent Connections Committee - Laura Warren
- a. The first CHS and CMS mixer will be held on September 12th at Post No Bills (5-7pm)
 - i. Snacks will be provided by CHS Padre Parents and CMS PTO
- VI. 8th Grade year-end activities - Sun Shine Hohman
- a. Katie Enea will be chairing this year's 8th grade Dance and Brunch.
 - b. Looking for volunteers, please reach out to Katie or Sun Shine if interested.
- VII. Principal's Report - Dan Morgan
- a. CMS enrollment is 473 students; it is projected to be low for the next few years.
 - b. 6th grade had their Building Connections event
 - c. 8th grade Ohana Day was held on Friday, September 1. This event is sponsored entirely by the PTO.
 - d. Wiffle Ball Tournament began during the week of August 28th for the 6th grade.
 - e. Fall Sports are running - large percentage of students are participating
- VIII. Emergency Drill and Culture & Climate update- Jen Barnes
- a. Large Scale Emergency Drill will be held on Friday, September 8th. Campus will be closed until Noon.

- b. Culture & Climate activities: adding fun ways to build culture and climate at CMS
 - i. New students were welcomed with welcome gifts by Leadership class
 - ii. Spirit Award
 - iii. BUG Award: Bringing Up Grade
 - iv. National Days

Meeting Adjourned at 8:43am