

**CMS PTO Meeting Minutes**  
**February 1, 2017**

**Call to order:** 1:35pm

**In attendance:** Lisa Morgan, Murial Lin, Kristen Hunter, Juliet Pool, Tanja Roos, D. Hamilton-Fitzsimmons, Alicia Tao, Boyana Griffin, Alison Bockus, Cindy Schroeder, Kath Uyeda, Blaise DiGirolamo, Dan Morgan, Lynn Cordell, Kris Gibbs

**Treasurer's Report:** Stacy/Kristin

Financial for January:

We took in \$120 in spirit car magnets, and sold \$340 in additional PE wear. There was a small deposit for dance income but that is always offset with dance expenses.

We spent \$673 in Climate and Culture, which was expenses for a new student lunch, geo bee lunch and NOIS lunch. We also contributed to teacher grants, bird seed and science Olympiad. The winter dance had a \$395 expense for the photo booth and \$400 for the DJ.

Reimbursements for decoration and supplies still being submitted. There was a fun Friday activity expense for \$144. There was also a \$20 filing fee for the state.

**Guest Speakers:**

**Tanja Roos- MEarth Habitat, Executive Director**

Tanja introduced Juliet Pool, new MEarth program director

Tanja presented the Annual Report for MEarth and talked about the 5 year plan.

MEarth's Mission is to educate and inspire through environmental stewardship. It is a nonprofit that continues to serve CUSD students throughout the year.

For over a decade MEarth educators have collaborated with classroom teachers to create standards-based middle and elementary school curriculum, connecting indoor and outdoor learning in the core subject areas of Science, Math, Social Studies, Language Arts and World Languages.

Tanja asked for a donation of \$4,500 for the Hilton Bialek Habitat. CMS PTO already has a line item for \$6,000 donation annually.

The \$4,500 additional donation was unanimously approved.

**Boryana Griffin- CHS Sober Grad**

Boryana requested \$5,000-\$10,000 for CHS 2017 Sober Grad

The event happens at CHS on the night of graduation and has successfully kept seniors safe for 20 years. The event costs \$45,000. It is a safe and sober environment from 9:30pm-5am.

Sober Grad is free to the seniors, they currently have \$20,000 and are continually fundraising.

CUSD is contributing \$5,000 and CHS PTO is contributing \$1,000

The CMS PTO decided not to contribute any PTO monies to the event on the grounds that parents donated money to CMS in good faith the money would stay and benefit their children at the Middle School.

### **Winter Dance-**

The dance went well, however not as many people showed up to help set up and donate baked goods that were signed up on SignUp Genius. Bought 5 new black lights, and will order 5 more. Had problems with Allegro's pizza, second set of 12 pizzas were delayed. Maybe try Pizza My Heart next time, they give discounts.

### **Honors Lunch-**

All set, just waiting for final numbers.

### **New Board for 2017-2018**

Send out invitation via SignUp Genius to Elementary schools.

### **New Logo for PE shorts**

Dan was thinking of using one of the spirit wear logos on the shorts. Do we offer old PE shorts at a discount to get rid of them?

### **Principal's Report- New Project**

Amphitheater project has been put on hold.

We need to revamp the wiffle ball field, however astroturf is cost prohibitive. Dan Paul with the district said it would cost \$4,000-\$5,000 to redo the field with sod. We will go with that option either during Spring break or the summer.

Dan mentioned a few new possibilities; outdoor volleyball court, rock structure, playground equipment, concrete ping pong tables, and definitely new outdoor tables and maybe umbrellas. Will research and fill us in on cost next meeting.

### **Ways and Means**

1. Samantha Sommer - requesting \$500 for Flamingo Dancers for her Spanish classes
2. Science Department - requesting 30 new temperature probes that attach to students Chromebooks. (split with FOCUS) \$897 from CMS PTO
3. Jessica Krislyn - requesting \$22 for postage stamps
4. Pat Stadille - requesting \$300 for 5-6 new Ukulele
5. 4 students applied for the Nancy Fowler Scholarship  
We pay for 2 and get the 3rd student for free. Don't want to leave one student out, so we agreed to pay for the 4th student \$1,500

### **ALL APPROVED**

**Meeting adjourned - 2:25pm**

**Next PTO Meeting - Wednesday March 1, 2017 1:30pm**