Odyssey Discovery PTO Board & Committees Meeting

February 10, 2020/6:30 pm/Camas Library

- 1. Meeting called to order @ 6:31 pm
- 2. Attendees: Anne Penikis, Carrie Hoorn, Lori Rhodig, Sarah Paoli, Ayn Lavagnino, Bryna Sampey, Lauren Barton, Jennifer McCullough, Kary Wilson and Nancy Chalfant
- 3. Minutes for Board & Committees meeting reviewed and approved for posting
- 4. Review of fundraising efforts: dollar amounts are approximate
 - a. Direct Drive Campaign Donation totaled \$4,100. Takeaway, local businesses voiced wanting to be involved in drive
 - b. Sock Drive Total earned \$1,145 plus 100+ socks were donated to our local community. Takeaway, good community response and they'd like to see more fundraisers like this
 - c. Spirit Wear OMS looks to have effective products and designs that students like. DHS sales are low and new product ideas are needed to increase student support and visual community image. Class of 2024 orders will be open May 1-13th through PaperMaker Pride. Watch for information closer to ordering dates. Students will have their school choice available (Camas HS, Hayes Freedom HS or Discovery HS). Late spring sales date for incoming 6th graders will be announced shortly
 - d. Scholastic Book Fair The spring fair has been planned for April 20-24th. The lead position is vacant and needs to be filled to be able to continue this effort. Takeaway, more lead time is needed for marketing the event and improved attendance
 - e. Dine Arounds Noodles & Company event outcome earned \$230. Total dine-around for the school year are 4 (Grains of Wrath, Chipotle and Noodles & Company with Menchies pending this spring). Budget goal of \$500 was passed after the second event, yay!
 - f. Rewards programs Box Tops 4 Education earned \$160. Fred Meyer earned \$42
- 5. College & Career Planning completed 2 successful event nights with doubled attendance. The next meeting will focus on career exploration with guest speakers presenting their career path
- 6. Newsletters Monthly information has been posted on all social media platforms, email and the website. Community feedback has been positive. Thanks Kary Wilson for your hard work
- 7. Staff Appreciation Frequency of events has been changed from monthly to every two months due to low volunteer availability. Ayn and Nancy have taken the lead as a team .Sign Up Genius PTO account established for team use. Contact a board member for access. Feedback from staff has been helpful for future events
- 8. The Odd Box at OMS is low on items. Most needed is white glue and glue sticks (small and large). Other items needed are paint, craft paint brushes, masking and scotch tape, large clear storage bins and basic carpentry tools. Volunteers are needed to help organize the room each month. The next organization event is February 21st at 10am.
- o. Grants
 - a. iQ Credit Union Garden grant submitted by a teacher
 - b. Target Field Trips Denied due to school history still not present in national database
 - c. Camas Education Foundation (CEF) submission for solar parts, robotics, and kits to be done. Social/emotional student wellness is pending submission due to pending information from last year's grant.

- d. Silicon Valley STEM Given \$6K in 2019. Task group met and decided on how funds will be spent. Items purchased by Dec. 31, 2019. All items delivered. Communication error for earmarked funds for Science Olympiad not made clear to PTO board prior to the usage deadline.
- e. Teacher Started Funds all items were non-consumable and will be able to be used over future school years
- 10. All Middle Schools Community Meeting is set for March 10th at DHS starting at 6:30pm. Skyridge PTA President will lead the meeting with Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Charlene Williams as the guest speaker. Small breakout session planned for specific school information to be shared. Suggestion made for ASB to be present with snack sale table and possible PaperMaker Pride spirit wear table
- 11. Finance Report Reviewed intake and payout amounts for approximate bank total of \$8,000. Motion to approve report made by J.McCullough, Second by L.Barton. Report approved
- 12. New business for next meeting in April:
 - a. Outside School 6th grade teachers and parents working together to build a program in addition to the current PBL curriculum. More information will be presented for funding application by Katy Dean with support from Andra Spencer
 - b. Street post signs have been requested by administration and teachers to improve the PBL image up the driveway to school entrances. Approximately 15 signs needed for each school to be installed by the district maintenance team. Pricing research and district vendor information needed. Contact person is Melissa McGuffin
 - c. PTO asked to promote parent social events to build stronger PBL community
 - d. Board asked attendees for ideas on areas to improve PTO effectiveness w/interventions
 - e. Bylaws update Current bylaws are out of date and need suggestions emailed to board to open conversation on suggestions to update the language to include DHS and expand the number of Board member positions. Verbal suggestions have been made, but they need to be made in writing to open the discussion to a vote. Request made to email current bylaws to all committee leads
 - f. Suggestion made to repeat the information on how money has been allocated (with totals) and upcoming projects to plan fundraising (Fall and Spring update)
 - g. Board member elections will be in May or June. Campaign for candidates needed
- 13. Meeting end at 7:39pm

Odyssey Discovery PTO Board Representatives 2019 - 2020.

President: Anne Penikis Vice President: Kristen Kingsbury
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