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OCTOBER 10, 2023

6:00 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING

OCTOBER PTA GENERAL BODY MEETING MINUTES

1. Welcome and Intro – Katrina Washington
 - a. Board names and photos slide
2. September 2023 General Body Meeting Minutes (sent link via Cardinal Connection earlier today)
 - a. Motion to approve: Ms. Winter
 - b. Second: Gray Brooks
 - c. Discussion: (none)
 - d. Vote approved unanimously
3. State of the School Address – Principal Brunson
 - a. Mark Dixon - identified JOW program manager; should be hearing more specifics about SIT Team
 - b. Cardinal Drama Players reveal Spring show - Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory
 - c. Two important dates - 10/19-10/20 no school PTC/PD Day; 10/25 picture day (uniform not required)
 - d. 10/30 - Principal Chit Chat (Virtual) at 6:00 pm
4. Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month
 - a. Ms. Guzman - still soliciting donations (primarily food items); PTA can accept donations on her behalf, please note "Hispanic Heritage celebration"
 - b. Day/themes - 10/16 sombrero day, 10/17 bigote (mustache), 10/18 beisbol (baseball) gear day
5. Invited Guests
 - a. Charles Allen, Ward 6 Councilmember
 - i. DDOT issues brought to his attention by parents and ANC Commissioner Kwan
 1. High visibility crosswalks re-painted

2. Additional crossing guard requested for 6th St (understaffed across many schools)
 - ii. Modernization preparations/concerns
 1. Encourage school community to develop and communicate shared vision of key priorities early on to get what we want
6. Election: Fundraising Director Nominee Paul Spires
 - a. Motion to elect: Catherine Lux Fry
 - b. Second: Mr. Clark
 - c. Discussion: (none)
 - d. Vote approved unanimously
7. Board and Committee Updates
 - a. Board
 - i. Parliamentarian (Board Appointed position): Annabel King
 - ii. Cardinal Grant Program rolled out at beginning of October
 - b. Fundraising and Events
 - c. Early Childhood Education - Julie Garuccio. First meeting will be Thursday, 10/12 from 5:00-6:00 (in-person). Will also provide a Zoom link for those interested in attending online.
 - d. Upper Grades - Catherine Lux Fry, focus on Grades 3-5 as they transition; athletics, other activities.
 - e. Modernization / Advocacy - Emily Badger and Gray Brooks. First meeting scheduled for 10/25 (online).
8. Treasurer's Report (Dan Newman)
 - a. September net income (\$702)
 - b. Large website expense and in-person PTA meeting, mostly offset by swag income, Solid State fundraiser, some grants
 - c. Ending balance \$32,698; Earmarked funds \$20,527
9. Open Forum
 - a. Announcements and Reminders
 - i. Fall Festival next week (Wednesday 10/18)
 1. Reminder and sign-ups. Pumpkin pre-order closes tomorrow (10/11).
 2. Ms. Winter - staff volunteer sign-up available in main office.
 - ii. Larissa Horn - seeking additional parent volunteer to help with Girl Scouts, to allow more girls to participate.
 - b. Motion to adjourn: Lauren Mendonsa
 - i. Second: Dan Newman
 - ii. Discussion: (none)
 - iii. Vote approved unanimously

MEETING ENDED 7:06 PM

Cynthia Belmonte, Secretary