## PTO Meeting Agenda/Minutes 9/21/21

In attendance: Shalini Jayasundera, Hubbard Frost, Tiffany Walther, Charles Lwanga, Baris Ozgurel, Miss Merck Merck, Jennifer Bey, etc. about 60 participants.

Called to order: 6:33

1. Welcome/board introductions

2. Minutes - Reviewed previous meeting's minutes

a. Motion to approve minutes: Tiffany 6:36

b. Seconded:Frost

c. Vote: passed

- 3. Principal Report Delightful to be here as your new principal! Coming back to the new normal. Off to a great start. Have hired new staff who started Monday. We are looking for substitute teachers; apply through edustaff. Have started outdoor lunches and they have been fantastic (if sometimes hot and with a lot of bees). Indoor lunch for inclement weather so made sure there was ventilation and spaced as far apart as possible. Thank you to PTO for providing cushions. We are in the process of handing out devices to students. Every student has one. Asking students to bring back and forth from home to school. Teachers will provide details of schedule. NWEA testing coming in October 4-7. After school activities have begun. Covid policy is constantly changing so she always includes a link to most current policy from the district in her weekly update. Also introducing Mrs. Cucu as new vice principal. Mrs. Clinkscale and Cucu had assemblies with all of the students! Read a book called We Matter which stresses how important they are to the school community.
- 4. Teacher Report Tess Peck. Fifth grade teacher. Teachers are so happy to be back in person! Very busy getting to know kids, helping them get to know each other and helping set expectations. The health screener is very important to review every day! Please keep kids at home sick!
- 5. Treasurer Report Shalini J. Thank you to Tim Pinto (previous Treasurer) who helped transition the Treasurer role. We will be having fundraising events again! We will base our budget off of the 2018-2019 budget. Budget currently in drafting phase, Finalized and approved in November. Once approved, it will be on the PTO website. So far, we have funded opening day breakfast for teachers and staff, purchased 56 floor cushions, given mini grants for teachers (gave a bit extra to new teachers and those switching to new grades). Why do we ask for donations? Haven't been able to have the same events as in the past! We have a new online donation platform this year! Cheddar Up! One click easy payment. No need to set up an account or log in. Just click on a link to make a donation. Also will receive a receipt immediately. Cheddar Up link on the King PTO website, in our biweekly newsletter, or directly to kingschoolpto.digitalpto.com. Can also link grocery store cards/Amazon Smile and the PTO thrift shop.
- 6. President report on Committees in 2021-22
  - a. Family events

- b. Fall Clubs: Academic Games, math club looking for leader. 40-60 minutes every Wednesday. First to fifth grade. September to March. Math Kangaroo also starting up! King PTO emails will contain more info!
- c. Book Fairs- Mandy Hutton: Run two book fairs per year. First already scheduled for November 29. Hoping it can be in person in spring. We'll see. If in person, we will need lots of volunteers.
- d. Learning Garden Shari Grant leads. Will started the garden from scratch. Also have a facebook page and are looking for volunteers soon to get started. Also looking for flat cardboard.
- e. Reps needed: PTO Thrift Shop Liaison, King Sign, King Gear and directory (next year). Please email King PTO if you are interested!
- f. Spirit Wear update: Ben Ewy- Spirit Wear continues! Basics and tie-dye are always biggest sellers so that is what they are sticking with. Shop opening next week. All set up by underground printing, including option for shipping this year. This will be Ben's last year doing this so looking for new person to take up the mantle next year!
- g. Student Directory update: Megan Olson--the school doesn't do this so we have a volunteer directory. Please participate if interested! Currently offline while updating it.
- h. King received a National Blue Ribbon award!
- i. Teacher Appreciation lunch on 9/23
- j. Parents raise possibility of purchasing HEPA filters for classrooms. Currently, it is voluntary by classroom. Mrs. Clinkscale will see which classrooms have been funded so far.
- 7. Old Business
- 8. New Business -
- 9. Meeting Adjournment @ 7:27
  - a. Motion to adjourn: Frost
  - b. Seconded: Sarah