

Meadow Park Middle School PTO: Meeting Summary

Location: Meadow Park Middle School Library

Date: 9/14/16

Time: 7pm-8pm

Approximate number in attendance: 15

Meadow Park Middle School Principal: Jared Freeman

Meadow Park Middle School PTO Co-Presidents: Cyndie Pelto and Jennifer Yamashiro

Principal's Report – Jared Freeman

- HVAC installation is still ongoing through mid-Oct
- As part of a larger plan to go 1-to-1 with Chromebooks (1 Chromebook for every MP student) in the 2017-2018, there are a total of 6 pilot classrooms during this current school year.
- To address the fact that parents and students might have questions about the Chromebook deployment and the change in policy around personal electronic devices it was suggested for Jared to provide a written Q&A around these matters.
- PTO will work with Jared to purchase Chromebook covers with potential excess jog-a-thon funds.
- Back to school night; more info about jog-a-thon.
- Dress code has changed. Modified from PDX Public School code. The revised code should be available on the MP website.
- The new Student Parent Handbook should also be online in both English and Spanish within the next week

Avid Report – Christina Mackin

- AVID is now available for ALL grades at MP.
- AVID's mission is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society. For more information please visit: <http://www.avid.org>
- AVID is an elective at MP, intended target AVID student is a 1st generation college student.
- AVID is in need of volunteers (HS students, parents, community members, etc). For information about volunteering, please visit: www.beaverton.k12.or.us/depts/CCI/volunteer-engage
- Complete the parent or community volunteer application by sending an email to : BSD-AVID-TUTOR@beaverton.k12.or.us
- All AVID tutors are required to attend training.
- AVID is also in desperate need of the following supply donations:
 - 3" binders
 - Pencil pouches
 - Highlighters
 - 8 tab dividers
 - Spiral notebooks
 - Composition books
 - College ruled loose leaf paper

Treasurer's Report – Leslie Seward

- Request for funds budgeted amount was increased to 9K
- A quick overview of budget situation was reviewed.

Jog-a-thon Update (Race bibs) – Kristin/Jennifer

- 15K-25K fundraising goal for jog-a-thon
- Lots of volunteer opportunities; look out for google spreadsheet sign-ups
- Use Pledge Star for donations
- Looking for someone to help shadow Jennifer and Cyndie to learn how to run this event new year.
- If parents know of any community partners that could donate items or donate money please contact Jennifer or Cyndie
- More details about the jog-a-thon at back to school night
- MP students will be sent home information about the jog-a-thon a week from this Friday (9/23)

Introduce new VP – Cassie Oroian

Elect Officers – Jennifer

- Co-presidents: Jennifer and Cyndie
- Treasurer: Leslie and Rich
- VP: Cassie Oroian
- Secretary: Jenna
- A motion was made to accept elections of the above officers. Motion was seconded and there were no objections.

Heart and Sole – Cyndie

- Heart and Sole (a middle school program from Girls on the Run) will be offered this fall at Meadow Park! Starting October 3rd, we will meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 4-5:30pm (exact location within school TBD). The season will go through December 12th, with the final 5K celebration run being at the Holiday Half 5K on Sunday, Dec. 11th. 15 spots available. Open to girls in 6th-8th grades. You do not have to attend MP, and generous scholarships are available. **Registration is open!** Here is a link with information about the program.
<http://www.girlsontherunpdx.org/what-we-do/6th-8th-grade-program>
- Any other questions, feel free to message Head Coach Cyndie Pelto on the Meadow Park Middle School PTO Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/MeadowParkMSPTO>

Open Board Positions – Jennifer

- Co-president shadowing (co-president Cyndie will no longer be a MP parent next year)
- The PTO needs help maintaining their Weebly website (<http://www.meadowparkpto.com/about.html>). If you are interested please contact Cyndie by sending her an email, which you can find in the “About” section of the PTO website (see address above).

Other Business

- Due to the rising cost of transportation, buses for after school programming are only available on Tu/Th, therefore after school activities will only take place on Tu/Th. .
- Parent permission slips will be send home with students sometime during the first week of October.
- After school activities will begin on Tuesday, October 18th.