

# Executive Board Meeting Minutes August 16, 2022 – 6:00 pm

**Our Mission**: To foster close relationships between the home and the school and provide volunteer and financial support for parents and teachers to work cooperatively in the development and education of children at Mitchell Elementary School. We welcome and embrace Mitchell families and promote inclusive membership regardless of race, sex, class, sexual orientation, age, socioeconomic status, religion, or ability. Mitchell PTO strives to promote participation in broader educational programs in our community.

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

- Attending: Eddie Latour (principal), Meghan Nollen (pres), Kiel Phegley(ptoc), Missy Plegue (treasurer), John Franks (v.pres), Dr. Bell (v. principal), Pete Finnie (fundraiser), Caitlyn Sorensen (secretary)
- PTO Pres. Meghan Nollen welcomed the group.
- Introductions, get to know each other, events, calendar, how PTO is run

# Principal's Report - Mr. Latour

- Mr. Latour thanked the group for coming to the meeting.
- Next Tuesday popsicles, balloons,
  - Kindergarten handle class placements differently because we see kids throughout together, class placement, balancing classes, for k the teachers/staff don't get met and so balancing classes is hard; moving after is challenging for many reasons but mostly because of community built; this year the K will meet all three teachers; build an entire classroom community (undo pandemic), start with a symbol start in one class each day, rotate into different classroom and intermix groups, support staff to assess academically, really getting to know personalities to see who works well together; then teacher assignments will go home Thursday; K team is referring to lots of info from other school systems that use this method (Boston) on what to do and what not do to; met today, got the schedule; whole group; some K students could be referred to y5 if possible (room)
  - Goals for PTO: Talk about pto to people we don't know
  - o Fliers for next meeting on it and each grade level flier to go home
  - Visual on money usage
  - Qr code to join fb group
  - Meghan send Eddie the colors
- Facebook add Eddie -

- COVID summer mask optional unless high (guided by WHC); current protocol is in place until 8/26
- Staffing update good place, new teacher, new support staff, new teacher consultant/resource room teacher
- Calendar movie nights (3)
  - Purpose lost cost event for families
  - Something new? Like game night or both
  - Sometimes brings in low amount of money
  - Three book fairs (2 sept, jan, march last is 50% off)
  - Propose 2 instead of 3 and + activities
- In person PTO no decision now -need to hear from district
  - Hybrid probable
  - One meeting a month executive board meet before
  - o 3rd tuesday a month; 6-7pm
- 5th grade camp- need a new trip (team building or early year)
- \$150 per class classroom stipend all staff
  - Buy and get reimbursed
  - Or ask Missy or treasurer for them/us to purchase
  - For all staff except TAs
  - Playground need more stuff for recess -
  - Can ask for donors
- RECESS equipment make list for team and send it
- Teacher wish lists nothing about title 1 restricts lists
  - o If pto puts out list its a donation so you can get deduction
  - o Or to school/teacher there is a form
- All chairs will report to join over see all committees
- All exec give reports

**Introductions -** Each attendee introduced themselves to the group.



## **Executive Board**

President: Meghan Nollen

Vice President: John Franks

Treasurer: Missy Plegue

Secretary: Caitlyn Sorensen-Kowalski

Fundraiser: Peter Finnie

PTOC Representative: Kiel Phegley

## **Chairperson Positions**

Vicki Engling - Blog Coordinator, Social Media Coordinator

Heather Finnie - Martha's Closet Coordinator

Missy Plegue - 1st Grade Rep

Jami Socha-Phegley - 2nd Grade Level Rep.