



12 de enero de 2023 Agenda y notas de la reunión del PTO

(English below)

1. Saludos y bienvenida
2. Noticias de la escuela y la comunidad
 - a. Actualizaciones de la Escuela - Principal Arnold
 - b. Colectiva Actualizaciones - Nicole
 - i. Subvención para asistente de maestro (TA) de la escuela de lenguaje dual
 - ii. Maratón de lectura en febrero
 - iii. Informe sobre la recaudación de fondos Holidazzle
 - c. PTO Actualizaciones
 - i. Evento del 5to grado de la escuela primaria de lenguaje dual
 - ii. Venta de ropa de Green Central - Ryan
 - iii. Inscripción para la apreciación del personal
3. Discusión de la comunidad para reflexionar sobre cómo fue la primera mitad del año y lo que necesitamos / queremos seguir adelante
4. Planificación de la Kermes (si hay tiempo)

January 12, 2023 PTO Meeting Agenda and Notes

1. Greetings and Welcome: Today we will do updates and are also asking for your opinions as parents and community members - how this half of the year has been and how we can move forward
2. School and Community Updates
 - a. School Updates - Principal Arnold
 - i. We are in the enrollment period in Minneapolis public schools - the deadline to fill out the forms is Feb 7. At our school, we have a great reputation, so thank you for spreading the word. Usually after the first lottery, there are no more spots.
 - ii. Coffee with the Admin is next Wednesday at 9:30. We are going to talk about site council and how we are going to organize that and the budgeting. Question: will it also be virtual? We used to have it virtual, but we didn't have any attendance so we switched to in-person. But we are talking with Angie and Norma to see if we can offer virtual opportunities as well.
 - iii. We have more than 600 students enrolled right now
 - b. Colectiva Updates - Nicole
 - i. Dual language school teaching assistant (TA) grant: Colectiva has received a grant, which will help to pay for Teaching Assistants (TA) for the next academic year (3 TAs across the three elementary schools)
 - ii. Read-a-thon in February
 - iii. Holidazzle fundraiser report: \$1174.24 was raised

- c. PTO Updates
 - i. 5th grade dual language elementary school event: We are working with Stina from Las Estrellas to organize an outdoor excursion for all 5th graders from all bi-lingual schools. We decided to participate in this because it's a beautiful gifts for our 5th graders. It's expensive because we have many students, but they are able to get grants to fund it. The PTO is donating \$300. This donation is not definite because we are waiting to see how much grant money comes in. The school is also donating \$500. It's a canoe trip. We will be sending out updates about the excursion project within the PTO WhatsApp Group
 - ii. Green Central Clothing Sale - Ryan: We spent \$2700 and have made \$1200 - but still have a lot of clothing to sell. We distributed the clothing through the school (sending home with kids).
 - iii. Treat sign up for staff appreciation
- 3. Community discussion to reflect on how the first half of the year went and what we need/want moving forward
 - a. Special Education Advisory Council created a document about what it means to be an inclusive school community —> What is already happening in our school and what are the next steps?
 - b. I appreciate that we only do a few fundraising events each year
 - c. An idea: in front of the school there's a small garden in front of the office - we could put an effort into fixing that. In the summer the garden gets abandoned because the staff is not here. Maybe we could start a project that someone who lives close by could take care of it. (River)
 - d. The third grade parents group is going to plan a sledding outing - maybe other groups would want to do something similar within the WhatsApp Groups
 - e. A survey through WhatsApp to have more ideas, more voices, to hear from people who cannot be here. If we do a survey, we could have a group to analyze the information. (Amy)
- 4. Kermes planning (if time)