

## COLUMBIA PTA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING- MINTUES

### DATE:

11/21/2024

### TIME:

7:00-7:30PM

### LOCATION:

ZOOM

### IN ATTENDANCE

Patricia Bai, Phuong Bui, Bruce Denton, Tran Le, Sunah Lee, Jaime Lewis, Lesley Martinell, Laura Yengich, Giselle Yates

### NOTES RECORDED BY:

Tran Le

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT (JAIME)

- A. Standing rules
- B. **New Board Members needed for 2025-2026 school year-** Many officer's terms will expire this year.

### TREASURER'S REPORT (JAIME FILLED IN FOR LAURA)

- A. **Budget Update:** Budget is in good standing for 2024-2025 events.
- B. Classroom Grants: \$10,000 available- applications open Dec-Jan.
- C. Reminder to use Teacher Wallets: only 10 teachers have used funds so far.

### PAST EVENTS (JAIME)

- A. **Read-A-Thon:** \$27,401 (91% of goal), all prizes have been handed out except for lunch with the librarian
- B. **Book Fair:** \$5638 raised in Scholastic Dollars for library to spend on new books. Very challenging getting volunteers this year.
- C. **Spirit Wear:** Deadline for issues, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>
- D. **STEAM Night:** Good turnout
- E. **Dine-Out @ Hook & Cleaver:** \$400 raised, feedback positive

### UPCOMING EVENTS: 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester (JAIME)

- A. **Staff Appreciation\_ Snack Bar for conferences:** Donations need
- B. **Skate Night (12/9):** Students and staff skate free, all other skaters \$12, chaperones free
- C. **Staff Appreciation Luncheon:** Ivar's is donating soup. Sign-up will be made available for anyone who wants to donate sides, drinks or dessert
- D. **Reflections Art Contest:** This year's theme is, 'Accepting Imperfection.'" Entries due Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- E. **Winter Break Bingo:** Consider discontinuing?
- F. **Multicultural Night (2/13):** Sunah Lee and Erin Pahre from excited to be involved and get more staff and student involvement. Plan to use Children's museum again for activities. If more funds needed, PTA can vote to allocate \$400 from Hook and Cleaver Dine-out to Multicultural night.

**G. Beach Day:** Date changed to June 6 due to conflict with AquaSox Choir performance.

## OTHER

- A. **Food for Thought Program:** Teachers can get snacks for Sunah Lee if needed vs. having students go to front office.
- B. **Art Docent Program:** Art program from Feb-May. Volunteer sign-ups will begin in December.
- C. **Teacher wishlists:** Available on PTA website if families looking for extra ways to support classrooms. Several active DonorsChoose projects for Columbia Right now.
- D. **Passive Ways to give:**
  - 1. Givebacks program (NEW): Option to join when signing up as a PTA member. Download app, upload credit card- automatically earn money for PTA while you shop.
  - 2. BoxTops for education
  - 3. Fred Meyer Rewards
  - 4. Corporate matching

## NEXT MEETING

Jan- TBD