

PTA small group meeting // 7-18-16; 5:30p @ Julie Livers's home

Attendance: Deb Candler, Stephanie Quintero, Val Stormont, Rachel Preslar, Cory Pike, Julie Livers, Brooke Scott, Augusta Comey

Fundraising points of discussion

- 1) RallyMe: SLC School District doesn't allow link directly on Wasatch Elementary web page; "to donate, go to PTA Wasatch FB page"; Val will contact Whitney;
- 2) Rachel has a contact for a DJ for Fall kick-off for fundraiser;
- 3) Publicity ideas for fund-raising: Deb Candler could write letters; create business cards, or other print materials to send home; create ways to involve kids e.g. talk to neighbors, post on personal FB pages; use kick-off event to discuss ways for whole families to be involved; write thank you notes;
n.b. *Top 100* letter will not be mailed; it may have outlived its usefulness as many contacts are unknown or lost, and Wasatch has a new PTA, SCC and Principal since it was generated.

Showcase Chair / Fine Arts Arts Committee:

Let's clarify the relationship between the Arts Committee at Wasatch, and Chair of Arts Showcase. Arts Committee members include Deb Candler, Jean Gardner, Julie Lewis, Nicole Blank, Janis Farrell; Committee picks theme of Showcase, and approves; fine arts committee has strong expectations for Showcase;

⇒ *Brooke will check with Kelly Goff re: final meeting notes of Arts Showcase;*

Deb Candler re: staff updates

New PE person - Ellie Hughs, 29.5 hrs.

Technology assistant - Hadleigh Craig, 29.5 hrs.

Ken Coleman - 1/2 day kindergarten

Janet Barnette - 6th grade teacher; Rebecca Hunter on leave.

Programming updates from Deb Candler

1) Instead of parent-run morning reading program, teachers will focus on supporting Tier 2 intervention. Plan is parents will read with grade-level readers (e.g. book clubs) and teachers would pull and provide instruction to struggling readers. Teachers will be clear about productive use of volunteer parents in the classrooms in order that teachers can pull small groups of students in need. Point of

this intervention is to ensure trained teachers are reaching the students who need it most.

2) 4th grade music rotations- due to an additional 4th grade class, we need 45 min rotation 2x/week - David Payne.

Marie Smith needs a microphone during class.

⇒ *Deborah is going to check in with Marie regarding a portable microphone that she could use outside of the classroom. Would she be ok with that option? Price?*

PTA merchandise : Rachel Preslar

Rachel had the PTA order form reprinted; sent home in STAR folder, and offered at class list day, and back to school night. No DVD option; providing only jump drives; thumb drives to be ordered at end of year which will include sixth grade Veteran's Day & school play;

⇒ *Val will contact Whitney Childers re: setting up a store in RallyMe;*

Directories available in October; PTA needs to spearhead this production, not the new Tech Asst.; if families have financial hardship, perhaps they could contact Rachel; could PTA could run a campaign to support families in need?

Budget: review final numbers from FY16

Fine Arts support budget: David Payne, parent and music professional 45 mins/2x week as a music teacher; paying him through Fine Arts support; *all approved*

Fall + arts showcase fund-raising = \$67, 000 goal.

This assumption results from arts programming cost of \$150/student x 450 students.

We pay Utah and National PTA-

⇒ *Deb will look into PTA v PTO*

Upcoming PTA-related dates

Class list day: 8/17/16; Deborah will do an all-call to alert/remind community. PTA will be present to answer questions and staff table from 9a-1p

Back to school night: 8/25/16

⇒ *Julie will write newsletter for Deb's one-page beginning of the year;*

Avenues Street Fair - 9/10/16

Michael Hughes offered Wasatch a booth; Locations is 6th & I; we would like to be there, but are not sure about what to offer, and how we would have the time to organize it.

Fund-raising calendar options - Friday kick-off; Sept 25 - Oct 14?

Meeting adjourned 7:30p