

PTA meeting
5/10/16, 5p

1. Budget update - Jeanne Olson
 - a. Still under-spending for the school year, discussion re: using rollover from last year and this year to fund Peterson sports for FY 16-17 per administration's request. This action has been added to the proposed budget for FY 16-17 and PTA board will encourage this to pass when the budget is voted on during the June 9th general meeting.
 - b. Request by Amy Washington to add line item for mentor club which is rapidly growing.
 - i. Megan will begin to create guidelines for how to consider requests from this line item.
 - ii. Adding money to proposed budget line item of "clubs/miscellaneous events" to account for this request.
 - c. Mrs. Kane requests that all purchase requests still go through her first, then to be delegated to appropriate organization (PTA, FoP)
2. 20/20 campaign - Mrs. Kane
 - a. Background of CPS cuts that admin has been dealing with this FY.
 - b. Looking at a potential reduction of SBB by 25%, meaning approximately -\$800,000 for Peterson for FY 16-17
 - c. 20/20 campaign -
 - i. Engaging folks in action items to get full fair funding from Springfield for Chicago Public Schools
 - ii. cps.edu/equality
 - iii. Ideas for getting strong participation among parents for the 20/20?
 1. Look at/reach out to Raise Your Hand
 2. Handing out slips of paper, very personal terms re: Peterson
 - a. Kate will make a one-pager, Catherine will make it pretty
 3. Laptops at a Tuesday Tea
 4. Laptops on the Plaza?
 5. PAC meeting in a few weeks, add this to the agenda
 6. Info meeting/rally/availability of helpful staff to make calls, emails on 5/19, after school?
 7. Add info to middle school classes/curriculum re: budget in IL, kids might encourage parents to come/participate.
 8. Students in a video that we could share on social media.
 9. Ambassadors to help with computers, translate, educate folks.
3. Peterson's New Distinction! - Amy Washington
 - a. Peterson was nominated for and awarded exemplary status by the department of social/emotional learning!!
 - i. Dept of SEL interviewed kids, teachers, admin and parents

- ii. They were most impressed by student leadership, and “exceeds expectations” for the family engagement component.
- 4. Green Day recap - Melanie & Mike
 - a. Garden was weeded and worked on
 - b. New functional basketball hoop
 - c. New butterfly garden by the kindergarten door
 - d. Grounds clean up
 - e. Ideas for next year -
 - i. More things to do! People want to be helpful!
 - ii. Increase attendance? Probably had about 50 people there this year
- 5. Reflections - Karla
 - a. Luna and Linnea got state honorable mentions
 - b. Jihoon and Erin Jimenez
 - c. Suggest that we spend \$100 reflections budget on gift cards for the 4 kids that were honored.
- 6. Box Tops and Labels for Education
 - a. Box tops earnings were less than previous years
 - b. Karla looking to collect as many labels for education as possible by the end of the school year
- 7. Teacher Appreciation Week - Megan
 - a. Recap
- 8. Call for leadership roles. Looking for a few (many) a few good men/women to take a leadership role in Book Fair, Danceathon, International night
- 9. Grade level parents - Barbara
 - a. Currently recruiting, reach out to her if interested.
- 10. PAC news - Catherine
 - a. Next meeting 5/24. Agenda includes:
 - i. Summer activities
 - ii. 20/20
 - iii. Book swap!
- 11. FoP news - Catherine
 - a. Beer for Books!
 - i. Free non-alcoholic beverages and appetizers
 - ii. Live music
 - iii. Beer and wine for sale
 - iv. Awesome silent auction items, balloon prizes and live auction prizes.
 - v. Looking for volunteers! Watch for a volunteer spot email or reach out to Barbara or Catherine.