

Manoa PTO Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 15th 7PM

Welcome & Introductions

- Meeting called to order 7:08 by Renee Lawler with 33 participants attached
- Introduction of the new Recording Secretary Leah Hoffman and Treasurer Tom Harvey
- PTO shut down since March except for 5th grade graduation pandemic festivities signs, t-shirts, drawstring bags, and a clap out.

Approve February Minutes

- Motion to approve Amy McClements
- 2nd Courtney Kelly

Dr. Ramoundos Introduction:

- Introducing the new Vice-Principal Mr. Jerry Ummarino
- Welcome Tom and Leah to the board
- Dr. Ramoundos was late because he was in a meeting with Dr. Brennan doing a round table discussion on COVID
- He thanked us for the support we give to the teachers
- We will be continuing with Character traits this month
- Thank you PTO for the yearbooks as well as the purchase of Maximus. It was a really great purchase for our school.

Faculty Report: Mrs. Hale

- "On behalf of the teachers and staff we would like to thank the PTO for the 5th graduation items."
- Chalk Drawings in front of the Manoa Building was a huge success and everyone was so happy to see it when they came into the building.
- She thanked the general community for patience on the technology glitches during online schooling.
- Confirmation of teacher/classroom reimbursement for teacher needs like an extra monitor, or scrubs if the students go back is ok to use towards reimbursement.

New Business

AtoZ – Kiley Capello / Shana Robarge/Heather Chickery

-Paper Directory /Dues

- There are a total of 119 members who have signed up
- Kindergarten has the least amount signed up since some parents might be new and not sure what A to Z is about
- 2019-2020 school year PTO was able to sign 85% of the parents into A to Z because of Back to School night
- Since there is no back to school night there have been challenges to get people information and to sign up for A to Z

- Dr. Ramundos did send out information to parents on his Sunday newsletter but it might have been confusing since it read Parent Volunteer which sounds different from PTO
- PTO need to start getting creative on to how to get parents to sign up and get them informed as to what is going on, if anyone has any ideas please do not hesitate to reach out to someone on the PTO to get it rolling

Budget – Tom Harvey

- Final look at 2019-2020 Budget
- Review and approve 2020-2021 Budget

Approval of the Budget Iain and Amy McClements

- We need to be super conservative this year because of the pandemic and we will not be getting the funds/dues for us to be able to do things like we have in the past. Hopefully something in the Spring will be able to put something together if things start to become normal.
- Get parents onto AmazonSmiles and Boxtops?
- On the budget it was asked what the 5th Grade Legacy was and it was a gift the 5th grade gives to Manoa but they no longer do that

Recognition: Nicole Bumbaugh

People who have been recognized with their name in books in the library

- 11 parents from the outgoing 5th grade class
- 3 employees who had babies
- 2 employee retirees

Events this year: Renee Lawler / Heather Chickery

-Event Chairs

- Meeting will be coming up in the next couple of weeks of how this will look and who will be in/out of being a chair
- Book fair will be virtual
- Meetings will all be Zoom – purchased 1-year subscription for just \$158.89 (will need to be cancelled or automatically renewed)

HR Parents – Jane Boyle / Ally Rosseel

- State of events and they are still finalizing what the HR parents will be doing
- Parties are on hold, and hopefully will be picked up at some point
- No Adults in building but there can be some brainstorming done to get something fun going for the kids

Kidstuff Books – Shana Robarge

- Shana confirmed the continuation of the KidStuff/Save Around book program.
- 40% of all proceeds go back to Manoa PTO
- \$25 per book

Minutes will be posted on www.manoapto.org

Any requests for agenda topics, please submit to manoaptohavertown@gmail.com

- Available on Manoa PTO website.
- It is a little different this year with only 40% coming back to the school but it can be area specific so the person doesn't need to live in Havertown or the surrounding area to purchase

Preview:

- Amy McClements suggested putting pictures or cards on the front door at Manoa for the teachers and staff to see when they come in and out of the building. We will move forward with this. Amy will take the lead.
- Another suggestion: Using Maximus as a fundraising tactic. IE: drive by birthday party appearances, etc.

Announcements:

Renee Lawler

- Next PTO Meeting – October 20th 7PM (Zoom)
- IDC – Still awaiting the schedule of meetings

Meeting ended at 8:10pm