1. Alison Li, PTA President called the meeting to order at 6:39.

18 members in attendance.

2. The October meeting minutes were approved.

3. Update from Vice Principal

   a. Poem: This is the Drum, by Missy Giovanni
   b. This meeting is a celebration; books being donated to the school.
   c. Facilities Update: we're not moving. We're not on the list for anything.
   d. PBL updates: PBL is moving forward; creating foundations for PBL.
   f. Also new: RULER.

4. GGLOW Owls Book Presentation

   a. Raised money through family dance and shirt sales
   b. Personally impacted by her daughter's desire to have more books with LBGTQ main characters
   c. Each classroom will get a book bag with grade-appropriate books
   d. Reading of one of the books, Red
e. Lisa Love, of SPS
   i. This is one piece of working with LGBTQ students, staff, families.
   ii. This group of parents did an amazing thing. This is a first step, a start.
   iii. There is support for teachers.
   iv. We have resources to continue the conversation at home.

f. Autumn and Jordan, parents,
   i. created a group for parents whose kids are going through transitions
   ii. Special event this week, Lil Woody's burgers doing a special for fundraiser
   iii. Thank you to the community

g. Ms. Bannister, school librarian
   i. Sees the students helping each other, the benefit of books such as these

5. Vice President
   a. Apologies for childcare issues, death in the family of one of the childcare providers

6. President's Update
   a. Band for 4th and 5th grade is currently one day a week; not sure what will happen with that. Awaiting information about Band Camp. There has been a request for additional funds from PTA for band.

   b. PBL – been checking in with teachers regarding PBL. They have been taking their professional development time, they've also been meeting with Sarah Waldron. Asked Ben to invite Sarah to a PTA meeting to discuss plan and goals.

   Question: is there a recycling program for PBL materials? No current program, but if your students will let you disassemble projects, useful materials.
   a. Changes to allow more scholarships
   b. New Coordinator (paid position) Ashlee Lyman
   c. Condensing down to fewer classes for winter session

8. Fundraising and Auction Update (Robin Graham)
   a. Final Direct Give amount: $38,620
      i. Appreciative of ALL direct give contributions
   b. Auction set for March 2
      i. 80's theme, prom
      ii. Needs cassette tapes for centerpieces
   c. Student council Tee shirt sales
      i. Tee shirts may be worn on spirit wear days
      ii. Contest winner designs will go to print as well
      iii. PTA will help student council with spending the money they raise

9. Final discussions
   a. Matching funds for direct give contributions – still okay
   b. STEM Equity team meetings
   c. Volunteers needed for book fair
   d. Potential of getting STEM on BEX list

Adjourned 7:47 PM