

**Louisa Boren STEM K-8 PTA General Meeting Agenda**  
**Tuesday, June 7 6:30-8:00 PM**

Attendees: Kate Moore, Cindy Heidelberg, Kate Bennett, Jess Andre, Trey Sanders, Erika Whinihan, Charles Cutter, Ellie Robinson, Mary Ann Lambert, Margo Bergman, Ben Ostrom, Jane \_\_\_\_

- 1. Call Meeting to Order (Kate Moore) - 5 Minutes**
  - a. Land acknowledgement: The Louisa Boren STEM K8 PTA acknowledges that we are on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People past and present, and honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish Tribe.**
  
- 2. Budget Approval (Trey Sanders)**
  - a. Overview**
    - i. Scaling back relative fundraising/spending overall, while maintaining priorities
      1. Trey connected with Ben, who supports our plan. He asked for more PBL support, which PTA can support.
    - ii. Mary Ann – changing up fundraising plan a little bit
      1. Highlights:
        - a. Moving away from an auction (exclusionary and not accessible to a large percentage of the school population; expensive)
        - b. Adding Moveathon and food festival
        - c. More engagement events in the fall and direct give in the spring (once families more engaged and invested)
        - d. Still doing art raffle
        - e. Trying to get grants and corporation dollars
      2. Projection for income is \$93,000 (based on losing Robin Graham and having pretty new fundraising team)
  - b. Unanimously approved**
  
- 3. Budget update (Trey Sanders)**
  
- 4. Fundraising update (Mary Ann Lambert)**
  - a. Need more people! Both grant writing and event planning help.
  - b. Goals: discrete topics and tasks might get more people involved; maybe splitting fundraising from event planning would help (or marketing some volunteer opps as event planning for people who might be nervous about fundraising)
  
- 5. Race & Equity update (Ellie Robinson)**
  - a. Families of Color Seattle – workshop last night. Small attendance but really great. Hopefully can do it again next year, but earlier in the year with more publicity.
  - b. Would be nice to pair with kid programming, whether through FOCS or library-story time
  
- 6. GGlow update (Kate Moore for Shawna Murphy)**
  - a. Beginning of Pride month went well. Passed out flags and stickers. PTA funded Ms. Bannister's book request. T-shirts made \$1100. Needed \$1200. PTA covered the \$100 gap.
  - b. June 26 – Pride STEM celebration at Youngstown in Morgan Junction
  - c. Shawna Murphy stepping down as GGlow board member. Margo Bergman is going to take her place.

## 7. Principal's Update

- a. Uptick in covid cases. Masking and covid testing protocols are in place in a couple classes; optional and recommended masks in other classes. Could expand. Benchmark seems to be about 5 cases in a class.
- b. **Events**
  - i. PBL night – Thursday night
  - ii. Field day – next Tuesday
  - iii. Lincoln Park day - next Thursday
  - iv. Graduation
- c. Question about school safety after mass shooting
  - i. Other schools have key cards. Can we get that?
  - ii. Ben: we chose glass door entrance so families can come in without having to be buzzed in every time. During covid had the doors unlocked to avoid having a lot of people in a small space. Security is coming for another walk through very soon.
- d. Jumpstart
  - i. August 15-19
  - ii. Kate is going to try and figure out some ice cream socials and playdates for incoming kindergarteners.

## 8. May Meeting Minutes Approval

- a. Unanimously approved

## 9. New business

- a. **New executive board members**
  - i. Need new secretary and VP. And need to target people who are willing to move up in the ranks to VP and Pres.
  - ii. Nominating committee - need 3-5 people
    - 1. Have existing flyers
- b. **Annual finance review committee** – need volunteers
  - i. Jess & Cindy volunteered. Mary-Ann would be a good third (it's one of the official roles of the co-treasurer)