

**McKinley Middle School
PTA Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2018**

Call to Order @ 12:04 p.m. by Steve Funk, President

Thank you:

- *Staff Conference Dinner held October 18th
- *Staff/Student of the Month gift card donations

Membership Report

- *43 members

Approve May Meeting minutes:

- *Motion to approve by Andrea Norris; 2nd by Sue Millar. Approved.

Principal's Report

- *Thank you for organizing Staff Conference Dinner, the Friday treats and for the donation of gift cards for the student/staff of the month awards starting in December
- *McK News is now on YouTube every Tuesday morning
- *Last week McKinley averaged 216 students receiving the free breakfast
- *Washer/Dryers to be installed in the Grizzly Cove hopefully this week
- *Looking for donations of gloves, hats and scarves for students that come to school without; a donation was received from a Crossfit event but additional items are needed
- *If anyone is interested in donating candy for the PBIS jar (students can take a piece of candy when they bring in Hy-Vee receipts), please see Ms. Pei in the office.

Committee Updates

- *Box Tops: Recent submission of \$97.90 will be included in the December check
- *Landscaping: Working to plant low-maintenance flowers; focusing on yellow (school colors)
- *Variety Show: Looking for volunteers, contact Sue Millar or Andrea Norris

Treasurer's Report

- *Current balance: \$9,108.27

New Business

- *Budget Amendment: Remove \$250 line item for Lockdown Buckets (Boy Scouts took this on as a service project and were able to solicit donations from local businesses for the whole project so funds not needed); Motion to approve by Andrea Norris; 2nd by Kelly Bult. Approved.
- *Grant Requests:
 - Ms. McGee, 7th Grade Language Arts. \$35 for STEAM Day cookie decorating; Approved
 - Ms. Reynolds, 6th Grade Language Arts. \$50 for STEAM Day gingerbread houses; Approved

- Ms. Clendineng, Engineering Tech. \$600 for constructing “Wonders of the World” by students; Joint project with Mr. Patience, 6th Grade Social Studies; Approved
- Mr. Martinez: \$750 for Vendor Fee for reviewing McKinley SEL environment; Withdrawn

Other Business

*Sue Millar requested that the PTA reimburse Hesham Alsafi, 8th Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the money he spent purchasing dress clothes for some players on his team so they could dress up on game days. It was decided that Sue will have him submit a grant request for reimbursement.

Business Meeting Adjourned @ 12:33 p.m.

November Staff Presentation/Discussion

*Associate Principal Justin Blietz spoke about Social and Emotional Learning

-Mr. Blietz reviewed the SEL Support Standards. These standards are: 1. Self-Management 2. Self-Awareness 3. Social Awareness 4. Responsible Decision-Making and 5. Relationship Skills. Students have SEL time built into their schedule. Two days are spent working on SEL curriculum, 2 days doing community building circles and Fridays are “flex” days where they can catch up on lessons, have additional circles, do community service, etc.

-Speakers from Kids First (Jenny Schultz, Ari Eddy & Judy Goldberg). Kids First is a nonprofit children’s law center that gives children a voice in conflict. As conflict among children has grown more violent, Kids First has shifted focus to add restorative justice. Ari Eddy & Judy Goldberg work with kids at McKinley to resolve conflict. The overall goal is to address the needs of the school community, build healthy relationships, reduce, prevent and improve harmful behavior, repair harm and restore positive relationships, and resolve conflict while holding individuals/groups accountable.

-More info can be found at: <https://www.mckinleyseb.com/sel.html>

Next meeting will be Monday, December 10th at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Attendees:

Andrea Norris	Jason Martinez	Holly Warth	Laurie Tauber	Steve Funk
Sue Millar	Justin Blietz	Kelly Bult	Abby Leland	Michele Wilson
Leah Ferring	Janece Johnson	Jennifer Petersen	Amy Foreman	Nicole Pedron
Tanya Schneidermann				