

MIT General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

MIT Meeting via ZOOM, Wednesday (3/10/21) at 6:30pm [{click here}](#), no DHH interpreter present. Link to chat [here](#).

Attendees: Kathleen Hodges, Molly Tobias, Gina Gale, Rémy Gutierrez, Erica Ballou, Jennifer Tait, Lib Rust, Jamie Palmer, Laura Bernatek, Maura Do, Autumn Waite, Karen Knight, Nasaa Duncombe, and other community members.

Welcome! Tonight's MIT meeting has started, with approval of the February minutes first on the docket.

February Meeting Minutes: Minutes moved to pass by Kathleen H., motion seconded by Gina G. - February minutes passed unanimously.

Principal Report: Kathleen Hodges discussed the following:

- 1) Grades K-3rd are getting ready for hybrid teaching (for those that wish to return this school year). Informational video/powerpoint will be sent out next week.
- 2) Currently preparing for 4th - 8th grade hubs (in school remote learning for the kids who need that structure, staffed with substitute teachers will start 4/12, after Spring Break). Starting off with 1 hub for intermediate and 1 for middle school. May increase if demand and staffing is adequate. Informational meeting had to be cancelled, but will be rescheduled as soon as more info is known.
- 3) The new remote learning schedule starts on March 22nd, basically school shifts 50 minutes later (start time = 9:50AM, not 9:00AM; school will end at 3:50PM)

Equity Moment: Presentation "Intersectionality and Privilege" given by Karin Butler (minutes 4:45 - 20:40 of Zoom)

Committee updates:

1. **STEAM night** - Kathleen H.: Webinar with Pacific Science Center via Zoom, will be interpreted, happening March 24th @ 6:00PM. Will also have asynchronous events and learning activities.
2. **Book Fair** - Laura B.: Drive thru Scholastic book fair, in person on school campus, April 28th, from 3-6PM.
 - a. There will be an onsite Bookmobile, with approximately 2 weeks surrounding the Book Fair for online orders also. Can be picked up at the fair or shipped to your home.
 - b. Will need about 3 people to help volunteer to hand out books, no background check required as students will be in the car with their parent(s).
 - c. More and specific info will be sent out via Kathleen's weekly update and the Madrona Facebook page.
 - d. Payments will be electronic only, no cash or checks. Online orders will have free shipping to your home for orders over \$25, or they can be delivered to and picked up from Madrona during the drive thru fair.

Treasurer update: Remy has been trying different software programs for the treasurer position,

and the board decided on MoneyMinder software, a very intuitive, user-friendly software.

1. Currently we are \$2,000 or so “in the black”, due to many refunds from Corona cancellations, etc.
2. MIT Board approved rolling over teacher and staff funds for another year, for spending purposes.
3. Classroom updates and balances will be sent out soon, perhaps the next week, after February balances are reconciled. Information on debit card availability for purchases will be sent to teachers then, also.

Old Business:

1. April Levy vote: people are encouraged to vote. This Levy is pared down to just the essential needs, such as a replacement boiler, funds to complete partially finished school construction, and is affecting the most social-economically impacted schools (Title schools that need \$ the most and benefit the greatest from these funds). Vote is on April 27th, 2021.
2. MIT Board Nominations: Both the MIT Vice Chair and Treasurer positions are open for nominations. Email Molly T. if you would like to nominate yourself or someone else for either of these positions.

March 12th Covid Closure Commemoration

1. 4-5PM is a drive thru parade - participation with color coded clothes by grade level
2. Also included is an all school string art project, called “Madrona Grit” - will be available in 2 weeks during school supply pickups for students to work on.
3. Any and all students who want to participate can present “180 days” Art - an individual project that represents the 180 days of remote learning. Take a picture and send to Madison George by March 12th for her to present in a video
4. Postcards sent to students to commemorate 1 year since school closures (the 4th item that was forgotten).

Introduction to “Cracking the Code” by Anthony Chappelle, to be shown after the meeting at 7:30PM, not included in MIT General Meeting Zoom.

Upcoming Dates

- MIT General Meeting; April 14th, 2021 at 6:30PM via Zoom