

MIT General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

MIT Meeting via ZOOM, Wednesday (9/15/21) at 6:30pm. Molly Tobias presiding and Gina Gale taking notes.

The meeting started with MIT board member introductions.

Molly Tobias-----Parent Chair

Gina Gale-----Vice Chair

Remy Gutierrez-----Treasurer

Nasaa Duncombe---Vice Treasurer

Erica Ballou-----Recorder

Lib Rust-----Co-Staff Chair

Lizzie Stafford-----Co-Staff Chair

The June meeting minutes may not have been distributed last school year so we'll send those out and approve them at October's meeting.

Principal's Report: Jill Phillips gave some highlights of the last week...

- Seeing kids come back and connect with other kids and teachers
- Loves getting the letters from the kids with their insightful comments
- Kids are getting more comfortable with arriving at school and teachers will be moving towards having the kids be more independent
- After school dismissal is getting better and the staff met today to come up with ideas to speed it up.
- Recess - kids are staying in cohorts and assigned to zones at recess. Zones change each week.
- Lunch - working on making outdoor eating more sustainable. We have small tents that will be put up and are trying to get permission to put up larger tents.
 - Trying to get kids into the lunchroom on time and give them more time to stay longer to eat.
 - Working on cleaning tables quickly between all 4 lunch sessions.
 - Madrona is in the process of hiring more para educators and one place they will help is during lunch.
- Outdoor lunch is good, but many kids are forgetting that they need to be 6 feet apart at lunch because their masks are off.
 - PARENTS - please talk with your kids at home and remind them to stay 6 feet apart at lunch.
 - New procedures will happen around lunch, most likely centers will rotate on being outside and inside.

Question and Answer Session with Jill:

- A few questions about bus capacity were asked
 - Siblings are having a hard time finding seats together
 - We'll try to figure out a solution to this
 - Judi MacRae, Keystone teacher and Madrona bus lead, gave some busing updates.
 - Soon, some bus routes will be changed to add another bus to routes that are overcrowded. Drivers take a headcount everyday and report back to

base...another bus may be added to certain routes at the end of September.

- Usually Madrona has 7 buses, but currently there are only 5. This is due in part to so many parents picking kids up.
- Question asking if remote students can participate in after school activities such as cross country.
 - Jill will look into that question and get back to us.

Equity Team

Anthony Chappelle: Madrona has an Equity Team that meets once a month to improve the school for all students...It's hard work! Last year we were able to share the video "Cracking The Code" during several meetings and have a discussion afterwards.

Kendra: We have a lending library with great books you can take home and share with your family.

Molly said that we'll get a link on the Bear Facts website to the Equity Team lending library.

Budget

Our goal this year is to raise \$33,000. If every child donates \$55 we reach our goal.

2021-2022 Budget Overview Total Spending: \$38,735

| Money for Staff | Money for Social | Operating Expenses |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Classroom Learning Material<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$15,050 plus prior year money (\$16,500)❖ Principal Fund<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$3,000 (\$2,400)❖ Library<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$1,000 (\$860)❖ Fund a need<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$1,000 (\$200)❖ Music<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$5,000❖ Scholarship Fund<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$2,000 (\$0) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Fun Run<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$700 (\$0)❖ Bear Scare<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$500 (\$0)❖ STEM<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$500 (\$0)❖ Teacher Appreciation<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$1,200 (\$800)❖ Joe Rice Scholarship<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$1,000 (\$1,000)❖ Misc<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$200 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Bank Charges<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$400 (\$75)❖ Insurance<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$1,800 (\$1800)❖ Stamps<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$200 (\$0)❖ Professional Help<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$600 (\$400)❖ Copies<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$300 (\$0)❖ Website Maintenance<ul style="list-style-type: none">> \$860 (\$275) |

Additional ways to support and raise money for MIT: see our website for more details and links to Box Tops, Fred Meyer, Amazon Smile, Bartell Drug, Office Max, Corporate Donation Match. Last year our school received \$1,500 from Amazon Smile.

<https://www.madronabearfacts.com/fundraising/general/>

Budget moved to pass by Judi MacRae and seconded by Maura Do. Unanimous vote of yes by those present at the meeting.

Madrona Kid's Fund is the only big fundraiser we do to raise money for our school. 100% of funds raised from Madrona Kids Fund go directly to Madrona, helping students immediately. All donations are fully tax deductible and qualify for most companies' matching gift programs.

Maura Do is heading up the Madrona Kid's Fund and more information will be coming soon.

New Business

Volunteers Needed:

- Edmonds Foundation 5k Team Coordinator
- BoxTops Coordinator
- Webmaster/email

If you're interested, please email Molly at MITParentChair@gmail.com

Upcoming Dates:

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| September 22 | Picture Day (all day) |
| September 23 | Fun Strut/Parade (9:30-11) |
| September 23 | Curriculum Night (times and info coming soon) |
| October 6 | Mod Pizza Fundraiser - more info here . |
| October 8 | Garden Club (1:30-3) |
| October 13 | MIT Meeting (6:30-7:30) |