



MSES PAC MEETING MINUTES: January 10, 2017

DATE: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 @ 8:10am

- ❖ A warm welcome from our PAC Chair: Sela Chavez
- ❖ PAC Secretary Report: Anne Huddleston
 - ◆ Review of last month's minutes. APPROVED
- ❖ School Directory Update: Sela Chavez
 - ◆ My School Anywhere
 - ◆ 45 families enrolled thus far
 - ◆ Sela adding families/rosters. Time consuming because program is new.
 - ◆ Program Feedback from enrolled families: easy to use, accessible via phone, computer, and printable
 - ◆ 20 days left on our school's free trial. Full purchase is expected.
 - ◆ Directory reminder will come home this week in the Thursday folders.
 - ◆ Classroom sign-up contest: Classroom with most directory sign up by Monday, March 20th (prior to Spring Break) will receive a class smoothie party on Wednesday, March 22nd.
 - PAC VOTE for smoothie party: APPROVED
 - Chi will make contest posters
 - Service Corp will make video announcement (Amy Bradbury and Angela Gieck will oversee)
 - Sela will send out PAC email and Facebook reminders
 - Russ Vogel will email reminder via school-wide distribution list
- ❖ Teacher Mini Grant Re-submissions:
 - ◆ Mrs. Marquadt: \$250 4th Grade Science Kit Extension Units (1 kit = \$500).
 - Usable and valuable for all of 4th grade
 - Future grant requests expected to cover the rest of the kit expenses
 - PAC VOTE FOR SCIENCE KITS: APPROVED
 - ◆ Mrs. Marquadt: \$99.96 for 2 Math Extension Games called "Sequence"
 - for 4th Grade, but may be borrowed by all grades
 - May be kept in Collaboratory
 - Kids signed a petition requesting the game
 - PAC VOTE FOR 2 MATH GAMES: APPROVED
 - ◆ Mr. Smith, Mr. Pletsch, and Mr. Brost: \$199.95 each for 1st Lego League Exposition k-3rd grades with 12 students in each team
 - Theme is Bees and other animals and how they cause and effect each other
 - Encourages and enhances math, robotics, and social skills
 - All kits will be reused in the Collaboratory
 - PAC VOTE FOR ALL 3 LEGO LEAGUE KITS: APPROVED
- ❖ Teacher and Staff Luncheon and Winter Gifts Update:
 - ◆ Successful event – many thanks to all who donated food, supplies, and their time to the event
 - ◆ Gifts given to staff successfully. Several thank you notes to PAC were passed around.
- ❖ Treasury Report: Coralyn Gauvin
 - ◆ No new updates.
- ❖ MSES Family Game Night:
 - ◆ 5:30-7:30pm Wednesday, February 22nd
 - ◆ Volunteers needed – signup sheet for volunteers was passed around.
 - ◆ If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sela Chavez
 - ◆ Game Night budget will be voted upon during our February PAC Meeting.
- ❖ EduKits Update: H'Krih Shelhamer

- ◆ Program starts in March
- ◆ Finalized school supplies lists needed by April
- ◆ Special program possible for Kinder parents and new students (will need to know when back to school night will be next fall)
- ❖ Grants Farm Fundraiser: Margaret Combs
 - ◆ Allows school to partner with the farm and gives a kickback to PAC
 - ◆ Anyone who signs up for a share with our school's predetermined code would automatically give a 5% kickback to MSES PAC
 - ◆ Average sale is \$900 ea, which would equal approximately \$45ea for PAC
 - ◆ Encourages and teaches students about buying local and fresh, healthy living
 - ◆ Seems a good fit for our community – a family experience to learn about new and local foods, recipes, etc.
 - ◆ Grants Farm Rep could come out to speak at PAC meeting to give more info
 - ◆ Officers will look over paperwork and discuss voting for program on February or March's agenda
- ❖ Manitou Springs Library Update: Jenny from MS Library
 - ◆ Jenny is the Children and Teen Library Specialist for all branches
 - ◆ Library Update: Children and Teen library fines have been eliminated. Time to keep items has shortened.
 - ◆ Question: Coralyn Gauvin – any updates on the proposed MS Library Extension plans? Jenny did not have information concerning this topic.
- ❖ Principals Update: Russ Vogel
 - ◆ Happy New Year! We are back in school and our classroom and Arts14 programs are back up and running.
 - ◆ Last Week, the teachers had 2 professional days.
 - First day was scheduled to be a training on student mental health concerns and programs. Snow day occurred and training was rescheduled for August.
 - Second day during the morning Teachers trained on the new report cards and how to effectively interpret and combine student information into a valuable grade.
 - Second day during the afternoon Teachers applied the morning training and prepared their students' grades.
 - ◆ 2nd Grade Human Body Domain Update:
 - A 2nd Grade parent and UCCS Professor is planning Human Body extension material for our 2nd graders.
 - One possible extension will be a hands on project to see a cow heart and actually see and experience how the heart pumps. (other man-made materials will be available for students uncomfortable with the actual heart, so that they do not miss out on this learning experience)
 - ◆ School-Wide assessments will be held in March/April.
- ❖ AGENDA POINTS FOR NEXT MEETING:
 - Next PAC Meeting: Tuesday, February 14th @ 8:10am