PTA General Meeting

Start time at 7:08.

- 1. Vote to approve: Margaret Cantrell and Kevin Stults. Yes. Vote approved.
- 2. VP Discussion: Bannockburn's Emergency Plans
 - a. VP: First, thanks for the parent-teacher conferences.
 - b. Open-Houses: 3rd grade is coming up on the 21st.
 - c. Please label coats, gloves, etc.
 - **d.** Holiday Gift Card Drive: \$25 gift cards
 - **e.** Outdoor recess volunteers beginning in January (1-2 slots per recess), Signup-Genius will go out week of Dec 12.

3. Recess Rules:

- a. One grade level can play soccer up high,
- **b.** All equipment that's used must be used on the blacktop.
- **c.** Can't use balls/jump-ropes on the playground area.
- **d.** Kids can throw the ball against the wall/on the blacktop.
- **e.** All MCPS school, there is no football, no dodgeball, no tackling games, no chase. Chasing/tag games are not allowed.
- **f.** No running on the blacktop but there are other kids on the blacktop doing other things. No running but just on the blacktop.

4. Emergency preparedness Drill Requirements

- **a.** In addition to 5 fire drills, there are six annual mandated drills (lockdown, shelter in place, evacuation, reserve evacuation, severe weather; drop, cover and hold (earthquake).
- **b.** For these drills, Principal Bradley will let us know the day before.
- **c.** During an emergency, they would try to send us information as much as possible. They key here is to make sure the kids and staff are safe.
- **d.** Its very important our information is up to date in Synergy (all emergency contacts should be updated in Synergy).
- **e.** But also, when/if something is happening, no one is going to be answering the phone in a lockdown.
- **f.** The Bannockburn Clubhouse is the parent reunification outside Bannockburn. Must have your ID.

- **g.** The parent reunification place IN the school is in the gym, through the gym door.
- **h.** Information on how to update your information. Through a ParentVue (Synergy) account. Once you make a change, you need to email Ms. Morris to tell her (she'll print out that information).

5. Budget Presentation—PTA Treasurer

- **a.** Sebastian Gordon—composting. PTA could fund it. It's roughly \$2000/year. This is part of the green schools program-someone from the company can come out and show them. The kids that are on the green team can help (educational for the kids). Some highschoolers have started this at other schools—the green school groups make posters on why to compost. (The highschoolers made videos.)
- **b.** There's a budget line added for this \$2000/K this year.
- **c.** Kevin also saying he's corrected an "oops" so the Green Team \$\$ was moved between the categories.
- **d.** Motion: Becca Slaughter moved to pass it, Margaret Mauer seconded it. **PASSED**

6. MCCPTA Delegates Report

- **a.** David Hecht: MCCPTA Advocacy proposed amendment. *See attachment.*
 - i. The point of this is to further the conversation with MCCPTA. Issues related to health, accessibility, and safety should **not** take socioeconomic makeup of the school in mind.
 - **ii.** Motion to approve the amendment by Susan, Margaret seconded it. PASSED.

b. Digital Balance: Resolution on Digital Balance.

- i. See Attachment. This isn't binding and doesn't force MCPS to do anything.
 - **1.** Advocate for MCPS to make hardcopies available.
 - 2. For kids who need adaptive technology, that's allowed.
- **ii.** Margaret makes a motion to pass digital balance. We all voted in favor. **Motion/vote passed.**

7. Upcoming Events

- **a.** Drama Club: Going with Virtual Q. Walt Whitman graduate and she used to come and help-out. Offering scholarships to those students who are not financially able—PTA can help with that.
- **b.** Auction: March 4th, it will be at Praline. Anyone that can volunteer, please contact Hugh Dainer.
- c. Online Spirit Wear Store: New online store. School website and PTA website. It's a fundraiser and runs the whole year.
- d. Woodlands Invasive Plant Community: It's this Sunday. Kids have to be minded and tended to.

Juliette says motion to adjourn. Garesh seconded it. 8:32.