**Bryant PTSA meeting minutes**

**December 14, 2021**

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| **Time** | **Item** | **Owner** |
| 7:00 | **Welcome to November’s General Membership Meeting!*** Run through agenda
* Update slides to includes Google Meet instructions (currently has Teams)
 | President |
| 7:05 | **Land Acknowledgement** * Resource referenced in chat <https://www.seattleschools.org/departments/american-indian-studies-sti/>

<https://seattleurbannatives.org/resources/>**Anti-Racist Commitment** * Ensuring that we are following through on our anti-racist commitment. Will communicate via the weekly post-winter break and also solicit ideas.
* Bryant Equity Lending Library are now online: <https://collections.follettsoftware.com/collection/5fb2d7ecf0ef4100129c4626>
* Each month teachers have a race and equity issue we focus on in the classrooms, the PTSA could align with us. Speakers would be great for families
* One idea is to assign board members ownership on a monthly basis
* This month’s theme: Human Rights Day and International Migrants Day
* <https://southseattleemerald.com/2021/12/10/opinion-for-south-seattle-on-human-rights-day/>
* <https://hreusaorg.files.wordpress.com/2019/11/hre-usa-udhr-poster-gray-boxes-2018.pdf>
 | President/Carrie Lee |
| 7:20 | **Approval of November 2021 Meeting Minutes*** <http://www.bryantschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Bryant-PTSA-Meeting-Minutes-2021-11-09.docx>
* Motioned by Dave, seconded by Raphe. Approved as submitted
 | President / Vice President |
| 7:25 | **Laser Updates*** Steve Lerer (Laser board member) presenting in Robby’s absence
* Doing a salary review to ensure we are competitive to attract and retain high quality employees
* Biggest challenge is recruiting more staff for Bryant location, will also help with some staff fatigue.
* Laser is in solid financial position, received PPP loan.
* Questions for the laser team can go to Bryant@laserchildcare.org
 | Robby Saunders – Director of Laser @ Bryant |
| 7:35 | **Principal’s Update*** When we return from winter break all kids will be indoors for lunch.
* Ms. Snookal now juggling between Bryant and McDonald
* Policy still in place for no assemblies in school, no families in school
* Post new year, will kids be allowed to move between sections on the playground? Have been given the greenlight to “un-cohort” the playground, kids will be able to mix at recess time.
* Check on whether running club was ok to move forward. Previous guidance had been that we could move ahead.
* Mask policy (even outdoors) unlikely to change this school year.
* Thank you to families for stocking the staff room!
 | Principal Marshall, Assistant Principal Snookal |
| 7:53 | **Teacher’s Update*** Community events have been great for kids (hot chocolate event)
* Read-a-thon over break
* Ask the teacher community if there are ideas for how the PTSA could be helping that we don’t know about
* Ms. Holley to come up with wishlist items and send them along to Dina and Caitlin to include in upcoming teacher appreciation
 | Chara Johnson, Kaitlin Holley |
| 8:00 | **Treasury Updates:*** Insurance coverage all squared away
* November monthly report - We had budgeted for a shortfall of $14,237, actual shortfall is $3,764
 | Terry, Raphe & Carly |
| 8:20 | **Update from Exec Committee Meeting*** Moved to Google Workspace
* Limiting spam emails
 | VP |
| 8:26 | **Advocacy Committee Update*** SPS School Levy – on the ballot in February
	+ Recommendation to formally endorse and financially support the SPS School Levies – public support important given the critical need to continue the provision of basic education funding resources. PTSA has officially endorsed past levy renewal, incl. in 2019.
	+ School Levy expected on the ballot to replace expiring Educational Programs and Operations Levy (EP&O) and Buildings, Technology, and Academics/Athletics V Capital Levy ([BTA](https://www.seattleschools.org/glossary/bta/) V)
	+ Kathleen Brown moved to formally endorse the SPS School Levy, seconded by Carly Baker. 13 in support, none opposed, none abstained.
	+ Treasury committee supportive of $1,000
	+ Ann Sonnen moved to allocate $1,000 to the Schools First Levy campaign from the unallocated funds, Dave Chapman seconded.
	+ 7 in support, 1 opposed.
* Update on state funding legislation – HB1590 concerning enrollment stabilization funding to address enrollment declines due to the C-19 pandemic
 | Carrie Lee |
| 8:50 | **Community Engagement & Events*** Bryant Winter Celebration and Giving Event – thank you for a successful event! 3 carloads of essential household items for Mercy Housing, 65 grocery gift cards to be distributed to SPS sister school.
* Didn’t donate? Still an opportunity to do so via <https://www.mercyhousing.org/northwest/magnuson-place-north/> or <https://bryantptsa.givingfuel.com/hip-2122>
* Looking ahead to future events <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZpyFOYPmR2gO4_87nMU0dPKAANESTvgzQNDMJmCD3Vw/edit>
* Some other community ideas: Group tixs to Uw Women's Softball and Magnuson Series Kid Run for Earth Day.
 | Kathy Austin/Carrie Lee |
| 9:09 | **Adjourn*** Ann moved to adjourn, Raphe seconded.
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