

## Sherwood Elementary PSO

May 16, 2017

6:45 – 9:00 P.M.

Meeting starts at 7:05 p.m. Meeting ends at 9:15 p.m.

**Board Members** Leslie Wilke, Co-President; Carrie Hulbert, Co-President; Sarah Lewis, Co-VP of Hospitality; Liz Morgan, VP of Volunteers; Kristin Haverlock, VP of Communications; Suzanne Campbell, Secretary; Jessica Allende, Co-Treasurer; Christi Kessler, Principal; Melissa Johansson, Co-VP of Hospitality;

Not in attendance:

Vanessa Knowles, VP of Fundraising and Volunteers; Jessica Meyer, VP of Family & Community Relations, Diana Gray Co-Treasurer;

### Welcome

Carrie/Leslie

### Principal's Report

Christi Kessler

No update on the relocatable classroom we are expecting to assist with the additional kindergarteners we may have next year. We haven't heard anything back from the school district on this as well as the legislature as far as our funding goes. As for a staffing update, we will not be losing anyone next year!

The SBA is going well so far for day 1. The interim testing has been extremely helpful and has seemed to bring down the level of anxiety associated with testing. Teachers feel good about their kids' progress. The results will be available in about 3 weeks. We will be able to see the raw data but then OSPI will take the results, clean it up, and provide to school districts. We will probably receive results posted to Skyward in September.

Sherwood has won another award – for Math! They are measuring growth vs. achievement. We have made growth in Math over the years.

We asked Christi if the fidget tools have been a problem – she addressed that it's fine if it helps you be a good learner, be kind, and be safe – it's ok. If it is distracting a neighbor or a distraction in the classroom, it can be taken away.

We asked about the potential to have onsite Spanish classes similar to what Edmonds Elementary does. Christi said it wouldn't be a problem to do this if it is completely organized through the PSO. The only issue is space in the mornings. The library may be an option if classes started at 8 a.m. Suzanne will call Edmonds Elementary and ask what program they are working with and how frequently they need to meet.

Christi also hasn't heard back from the district on Gaga ball costs. She did talk to Maplewood and they said that we had to run the costs through the District and the PSO pays the District back for liability reasons. At this point it looks very positive that the costs will be within budget considering that the labor to build will be covered by the school district. We have asked Christi to begin letting the staff know

that the PSO would love to move forward on this as a first stage project for playground enrichment. We will be approving this provided the final cost details come through as expected and would love to have this resolved through the summer so children have something new at the beginning of the year to look forward to.

### **Next Year's Board**

**All**

- Co-Presidents: Leslie & Suzanne
- Co-Fundraiser: Vanessa/OPEN
- Co-Treasurer: Jessica Allende, Molly Reeves
- Auditor: Diana Gray
- Co-Volunteers: Liz Morgan & Sarah Lewis
- Hospitality: Melissa Johansson
- Events: Carrie Hulbert
- VP of Communications: Lauren Timpe
- VP Family Relations: Vanessa Williams
- Secretary: Tami Michaels

We will need more chairpeople – Cookie Dough, Movie Nights, Code Night, Skate Night, Bingo Night, Talent Show, Plant Sale Fundraiser?, government affairs?, Box Tops, School Kidz, Family Dance

The board for next year will be finalized at the General PSO meeting on June 1.

### **Golden Eagle Award**

**Carrie**

Kimberly Koenig and Alison Wilhelm will be judging the nominations for this coming up. We will send out a notice in the next CC. We will be getting the names updated for the plaque on the wall. They should have results finalized by June 9<sup>th</sup> and will be announced at the year-end BBQ.

### **End of Year Report**

**Carrie/Leslie**

Carrie and Leslie have been working hard on providing more facts on how much we are funding for the school – assemblies, buses, water coolers. EX - we have 25% going into teacher and principal support. We think it's really important the community understands how much of the fundraising we do is put towards maintaining operating costs.

We also discussed other topics we could present at the next General Meeting. Christi is thinking it may make sense to discuss how the budgeting process works with the school and legislation including how teachers are paid and how levies work.

### **Beautification Project**

**Kristin**

Kristin sent out a link to a cool art project that included a painted-rock path which all students would contribute to. We think this is a great concept and part of something we'd like to do with the larger project of playground enrichment.

### **Volunteer Mixer**

**Liz**

Mixer is set for Garden Party at Carries next Monday. We would love a few people to come as soon as 5p.m. to help with the set up and getting in order. Erin will do a welcome and Liz will talk about available positions for next year as well as recognition for committees this year and announce a raffle. We will have thank you's as people leave.

### **Upcoming Events**

- **Movie Night 5/19**
- **Talent Show 6/13**
- **Volunteer Appreciation Mixer 5/22**
- **PSO General Meeting 6/1**
- **Code Night 6/7**
- **Field Day 6/13**
- **EOY BBQ 6/19**