

## Sakai PTO November 1, 2019

Attendees: Jim Corsetti, Smiley-Grace Kulesza, Alicia Bye, Cathy Weiss, Shannon Jacobson, Morgan Rohrbach, Joy Tappen, Eileen Wold, Heidi Umphenour, Madhu Prakash, Kimberly Dewey

Congratulations! : The fundraiser and the after party were an amazing success. Thank you to all that participated.

Volunteer Needs: Lori - Bingo night is moving to February - it will possibly be combined with the MAC evening. The first week of December is the book fair. Please look for volunteer requests for set up, take down and staffing. Please be aware that this year Scholastic will set up an online payment method called "eWallet" so you can pre-pay for your students' purchases. Sakai Reads was a great event - went off without a hitch. There may be some volunteer needs on December 13th for the Kay Sakai 100th birthday party.

Communications: Mail Chimp is set up now with all school contacts successfully imported.

Sustainability: Eileen - The parent fundraiser at the Scrappy Art Lab went well - people were able to meet and share ideas. The kids had their first Green Team meeting - lots of students are interested in participating. They want to "adopt" a symbolic animal for the school. They are also ready to start out on the flatware initiative: They delivered a petition to Ms Rice and have started working with her on this. They are also interested in starting a pollinator garden. The TREKS program will start up again this year. Eileen is coordinating with the other schools, and we will sign up in November.

Arts and Traditions: Jim - This group organized the 5th Grade Art Tour on October 22nd and coordinate Leaving Our Island Day. They also help with the Cherry Blossom Festival in the spring and maintain the Japanese Garden. We will be celebrating Kay Sakai's birthday on Dec 13th. This is a celebration of her 100th birthday. On January 11th (Saturday) from 11-12, they will be hosting a much larger celebration of the 20th anniversary of the opening of Sakai and Kay's 100th birthday. They will be showing the Sakai movie and self-guided art tours. The Arts and Traditions Council is extremely grateful for the \$2500 that PTO has budgeted for them. They are requesting an additional \$1000 to help cover the costs of the celebration in January. Morgan makes motion to approve the request. Alicia seconds. All approve.

Principal's Report: Jim - A huge thanks to PTO for the wonderful work these past few weeks (the Hogwarts party, Sakai Reads, the mini mart, etc) and with the successful fundraiser.

Treasurer: Kim and Morgan - A new budget and current accounting will be presented at the December meeting.

Grants: Heidi and Morgan - The Grant review process is ongoing. Heidi, Smiley and Jim will meet next week to come up with recommendations, and the grants will be presented for approval at the December meeting.

Upcoming Events:

Nov 10th - Pool Party for top six fundraising classes  
Dec 6th - Second mini mart