

MOZART PARENT COUNCIL MEETING: November 9, 2015

Ashlei Parris, Mick O'Dea - Co-Chairs

Kelly Cunniffe, Treasurer

MEETING MINUTES

1.) Updates

- ❖ Principal Erin Borthwick's mother passed away
- ❖ Treasurer's Report -
 - Raised \$100 for Dress Down Day
 - Raised \$741 from Bake Sale - yay, Ellen and Scott!
 - In bank - \$1,042
- ❖ Parent Council agreed to donate \$100 in honor of Principal Borthwick's mother; others can donate individually

2.) Fundraising Committee

- ❖ Molly Seebo and Jess agreed to co-chair!
- ❖ Committee Meeting: Wednesday, November 18th, 6 pm, location TBD
- ❖ Fundraising goal for the year to be determined by Fundraising Committee.
- ❖ Parent Council discussed:
 - What are the rules about fundraising? We can get students involved. Alcohol could be part of it off-premise - eg, bring back Parents Night Out; held at restaurant or bar, appetizers, parents pay ticket to attend and silent auction
 - What do we need? What is school missing? Brainstormed ideas:
 - Sunshade
 - Ask principal and staff here what would they need capital funds for that would make a difference.
 - Busses for field trips - at least one for each class - about \$3,500 to cover one for each of the 7 classes; limit of two field trips for the year
 - We give money to Making Music Matters and Eliot
 - Maintenance of outdoor classroom
- ❖ Council discussed the following possible fundraising Ideas:
 - *Already On the Calendar:* Savers Clothing Drive; Parents Night Out - February 26th; Pancake Breakfast
 - *Other Ideas:* GoFund Me Campaign; Have a larger event that is a community event - eg, collaborating with other nearby schools and businesses in Roslindale Village; Highlight our family friendly designation; Field Day

3.) 100 Day Plan

- ❖ Kelly shared: Superintendent Chang is initiating community meetings
- ❖ November's meetings are about AWC and redesigning central office to better support students

4.) Upcoming Parent Council Meeting, Dress Down Day: December 8th

5.) Winter Recess

- ❖ Council Discussed: Last year, some parents upset when students were outside in the cold, others upset that students were inside. No BPS regulation about temperature for recess
- ❖ Potential Solutions: Could we give students an option in or out? Could parents volunteer to come to help out at recess?

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6.) Concerts (Holiday and Spring Concert)

- ❖ Council discussed possibility of doing one concert during day at Mozart and other concert during evening at Irving

7.) Homework Seminar - Erin to discuss HW with Parent Council at upcoming meeting

8.) Mozart Expansion Group - Group met once, exploring possibilities / courses of action towards expanding to 6th grade

NEXT STEPS

Who	What
Ashlei	Send a link for individuals to donate in honor of Principal Borthwick’s mother
Molly	Ask Erin, Mozart teachers - what “big ticket” items are needed that Fundraising Committee can raise funds for?
	Reach out to Main Street, Sumner to begin exploring joint fundraising event.
Kelly	Share 100 Day info on BPS community meetings as she receives them.
Mick	Ask Erin to come to next Parent Council meeting to share policy on winter recess, explore possibilities.
	Talk with Erin and Mrs. Foster about possibility of doing one concert during day at Mozart and other concert during evening at Irving.
Parent Council	Talk with Jess if interested in joining Mozart Expansion Group.