

## HSA Meeting

April 6, 2017

Meeting began at 7:16 pm

Minutes from the March 2 meeting were approved. Motion to approve by Janine Boyle. Kristin Nicholson seconded.

There was a review of the budget.

Someone asked what money is DC government? How does the DC money work with us.

Shannon Behm explained that she can give historical information, but that Dr. B is in the best position to talk to this. We pay for our own insurance.

Janine gave an overview of the HSA budget. She noted important things to know: Activity fee goes directly to the school, as opposed to other monies.

She then provided a current budget overview: Auction is the main fundraising event. She explained the focus of the fairs, festivals and homecoming is more community building. Partnerships are fluid year to year. Bricks exceeded expectations. Grizzly gear varies year to year. Scholastic book fair is a pass through, as is images.

She explained that the budget is \$200,000 lower because the LEP vendor fee disappears, and the LEP coordinator and intern are not needed next year.

Expenditures: Insurance—DCPS requires high level of insurance for Peace teachers and anyone else who wants to come into school. Building use agreement is a small amount. DCRA for certificate of good standing, operating fees, quick books, etc. Highlighted the need to remove one school store reference.

Classroom supplies: \$450 per teacher.

Ms. McLaughlin: Her contractual agreement is ending. However, we propose to keep the \$4,000 available to her to spend on art supplies.

Extras: Allocate to all specials teachers \$1,000.

New Budget Items:

Science: the parent survey suggested a heavy interest in science so we have included a line item.

Grant writer: there is a place holder \$2,000

Choir coordinator

Other continuing contractors:

Peace, percussion, recess program

Administrative:

Principal fund: this is money for the principal to spend on things for the school like motivational items, other materials that are harder to get through DCPS

Professional development: HSA offers it for classes for teachers

Teacher/Staff Grant: Welcome back teacher and staff lunch, + \$150 in cash

Technology: For Nathan Wieand to spend on equipment and other technology needs. There was a request for reflex math in his category for this year, but we don't anticipate those needs next year.

Facilities: Request for rugs this year, pushed over until next fall. For the HAS, we purchased tables this year for use at events.

Other HSA expenses.

Extracurricular: archery team, battle of the books, pass the poetry, cookies and coding, etc.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade promotion ceremony + scholarship fund, + raise the paddle.

The library loft is planned to go in in the fall. It will be a loft structure—it will be off of the ground “in a very safe way.”

It was noted that the upcoming May General HSA meeting is a vote for new Board members and people are encourage to attend.

There was a question about whether the HSA Board was part of afterschool survey that was sent out to the Lafayette Community? It was noted that the HSA Board was aware of the survey, but not part of the discussion about the survey.

There was a question as to whether Dr. B had drawn down on line of credit. It was explained that this would be reflected under the principal fund and that the budget needs to be updated.

Motion to adjourn- Janine Boyle made the motion, Sophie Hanrahan seconded.