



Kirkland Middle School PTSA 2.8.77
General Membership Meeting
March 29, 2022, 7:00PM
Virtual via Zoom

Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** President Sarah Rock called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. The attendance list was recorded on Zoom.
2. **Minutes & Correspondence:** The minutes of the January 25, 2022 meeting were shared prior to the meeting. The minutes were approved and moved to record. There was no correspondence to share.
3. **Introduction to Incoming 2022-2023 Associate Principal** - Niki introduced Darcie Breynaert to the community. Darcie will start in the fall at KiMS as our new associate principal. Darcie spent the first three years of her career teaching middle school, and then she taught high school social studies for an additional 19 years. In 2000, she earned a Master of Education degree from Lesley University Cambridge, and in 2011 she earned her National Board Certification in Social Studies. In 2017, Darcie completed her Principal Certification through Gonzaga University. She has spent the last four years serving as an Associate Principal at Eastlake High School. Darcie and her husband, Bob, have four daughters. Darcie is excited to be back in middle school and to be joining the Panther family this coming fall! She is student-centered and is looking forward to being a part of this community where she can serve and support students academically, socially and emotionally, creating a dynamic experience for every Kirkland Middle School student. She comes with both middle and high school experience. Darcie is from Eastlake High School as Associate Principal.
4. **Financial Reports:** The February and March treasurer's reports were shared with the membership prior to the meeting. The new item for the report is a line item for the Reader Board. The fund raising campaign brought in \$3,280. The price for the new reader board came in higher than expected at \$24,000. ***A motion was put forward to donate \$5,000 towards the new reader board. This motion was approved and the board will provide \$5,000 to the school for the reader board.***
5. **School Report:** Principal Cassaro gave a report on the state of the school.
 - a. March Madness - Down to the final four with the students. March Madness takes place during Panther Time and the winning student team will play off against a staff team.

- b. KiMS Band and orchestra went on a field trip to perform and compete at Redmond High School. It was great to have the kids participate and it was the first since the pandemic.
- c. Technology Student Association (TSA) swept the awards at the annual state competition. All 30 KiMS students placed and many awards were given out.
- d. Niki gave a shout out to Mr. Roth, who is the leadership/ASB leader. Mr. Roth is working closely with students and he has done a great job in developing leadership skills in the students.

4. Business Items

- a. **Mid-Year Financial Review:** Peter shared an update on the review and gave a shout out to Heidi, Heather and Kari, who were on the review committee, and put in considerable time to complete the review. Peter shared the mid-year financial review document prior to the meeting to the board in an email.
- b. **2021-22 Budget:** Peter shared an update
- c. **Nominating Committee Election:** Two people were nominated; however, we need one more person in order to vote on it.

5. Board Reports

- a. **Supplemental Grants:** We have awarded several grants this year, including: Camera for the yearbook, Music Stand, Library grant to purchase the relabeling of supplies (dewey decimal system) and Spirit Murals. We do have money remaining for grants. If you know of a need, please point people to fill out a grant request form.
- b. **Outreach:** Screening of the movie "RACE to be Human" in May.
- c. **Membership:** KiMS won the platinum award for membership.

- 6. **Adjournment:** President Sarah Rock adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM.

Next Meeting: May 24, 2022 at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Smith, VP Outreach