

SACAJAWEA PTG HYBRID MEETING NOTES

March 20, 2024 - Wednesday @ Noon

Sacajawea Room 107 & via Teams

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Secretary- Nicolle Litscher
Treasurer- Sharon Conaty
Volunteer Coordinator- Brittney Mauer
Member at Large- Kate Sheffield

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Administrators: Principal- Tracey Leyde
Capital Projects Manager and PBIS Coordinator- Laura Treece

Attendees: Sharon Conaty, Nicolle Litscher, Heather Huntoon, Brittany Mauer, Laura Treece, Angela Merlo, Virginia Fox, Lindsay Pursley, Caitlyn Jacobs, Sarah Ambrose, Jeff Klein, Tracey Leyde, Megan Jackson, Kaylynn Mejia, Diana Sauders, Becky Finney

WELCOME EVERYONE!

Principal and Staff Presentations

- Celebrations/Did you know...
 - Spirit week was a big success. Laughter and fun for students and teachers.
 - 7th science is working out plan for annual May field trip to Manito gardens to do field experiments.
 - 7th graders attending the expo 74 50th celebration fieldtrip on May 2nd.
 - Music performances have been incredible. Tonight 7th/8th grade concert at 7 pm.
 - Festival season-Choir today at Mead, Orchestra at SCC on the 26th for 6/7 grade and 27th for 8th grade. Band festival on the 27th/28th.
 - Wrestling/Basketball in full swing with 200 kids participating. Track, baseball and badminton are starting after spring break.
 - 6th grade intramural Session 3, Photography Club, Cooking Club, Sac Alliance Club, Writer's society, Spirit Club, Homework Clubs all going.
 - DI classroom with Ms. Shannon was featured on KHQ with their March Madness research/writing project.

- 8th grader Ava Brattebo represented Sac in State Science competition and won the Thermo Fisher Scientific Junior Innovator Award as well as the Denny Yasuhara Middle School “Science in Spokane” award.
- LC Feeder Event-Multicultural Fair, Friday 330-530.
- 8th Grade fun day/PE Update, Caitlyn Jacobs
 - PE Update: getting students up and moving, learning skill related components of fitness, participating in fitness testing. It’s been an adjustment, and we are learning and adapting. Next year 6th graders will have a fitness section just for them.
 - Zero-hour PE? Stay tuned. Registration had it as an option, so we know who is interested if approved.
 - 8th grade fun day-June 13th. More money approved for this year!
 - The scoop came out last year and it went well so they will come out again this year.
 - There will be inflatables, lawn games, volleyball, spike ball, etc.
 - Snacks and water provided. Will need coolers to borrow. Possible need for shade tents; however, fields look to be shaded.
 - Hired a DJ. Photobooth is not an option this year.
 - Looking at bagged popcorn instead of popcorn machine.
 - Volunteers: 1 hr. blocks, 130-330. Need 1 to 2 people to set up (1230-130). 8-10 people for 130-230 and another 8-10 for 230-330.
- RAD Day
 - Middle School Matters Rubric
 - Part of PBIS system
 - Created by teachers to make tangible the importance of the 3 key indicators of successful students. Attendance/Behavior/Academics
 - How it works: They track grades, GPA, attendance, behavior, binder/planner checks, homebase activity participation, participation in clubs or sports, state district testing participation.
 - 2nd RAD of the year is March 29. Signups for activities happened yesterday.
- Testing (MAP and State): Begins May 7th.
 - 6th and 7th graders take SBA Reading, SBA Writing, and SBA Math (two parts).
 - 8th graders take SBA Reading, SBA Writing, SBA Math (two parts), and the Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS).
 - Students complete assessments on school laptops, and they leave laptops at school in HB the day before each test.
 - Most tests will be completed in Home Base classrooms during a school-wide testing block in the morning.

- Make-up tests will occur from mid-April through late-May.

Treasurer's Report

- Budget report
 - Ferrante's fundraiser update: \$568.27 huge increase over last year!

President's Report

- Board positions for next year
 - Volunteer Coordinator-Virginia Fox
 - CAC-Jeff Klein
 - Member at Large-Megan Jackson
 - Shadowing opportunities for President, Treasurer and Secretary
- Flower basket sale - Megan Jackson/Sharon Conaty
 - Tim is set for May 9 for pick-up. 125 is what we are shooting for, plus 10 or 15 extra. Email will go out today with information. Need volunteers for pickup day.
- CAC Report (Diana Koorkanian-Sauders): Met at Yasuhara, update on legislative sessions, increase in spec ed funding, increase in supplies and operation costs, up 85% since 2019.
- School Board Updates: border patrol agent went into Spanish immersion school, discussed failed bond vote and challenges of assessed value increase. The amount of misinformation was huge on the impact of property taxes. School board will decide on if/when they will put the bond back on the ballot.
- Talked about creating a work group on balanced calendar and highly capable program and Spanish immersion school.
- Incident at Wilson elementary: Reassured parents that the individual will no longer be at Wilson.
- Betsy Lamb: presentation about AI. Walked parents through what AI is and the reality that it is part of life. How do we live with it in academics, instead of trying to ban it. Check sources and be conscientious consumers of information. Encourage conversations around AI, put guard rails around it, use as a learning tool. The presentation is up on the district website: <https://www.spokaneschools.org/Page/6361>
- Next month: Cell Phone policy will be discussed.

Volunteer Coordinator's Report

- Teacher appreciation week update-Planning on coffee one day, cater Qdoba one day, and do some sort of gift card drawing on Friday. Need volunteers as we get closer.

Secretary's Report

- Sac closet requests-Deodorant, travel size ones, girl leggings or sweats all sizes!

Next Meeting – April 17, 2024 @ Noon, 2 more meetings