

Meeting January 10, 2022 @ 6:30 pm Google Meets (Virtual Only)

Meeting called to order by Bryan Lawrence

1. Welcome – Bryan Lawrence, Casye Buttler

2. Attendance

- Heather Wohl, Liz Chung, Gina Bernstein, E. Peppers, Layne Helmering, Suzanne Oge, Maria Kremsreiter, Grace Lee, Yi Wu, Bryan Lawrence, Casye Butler

3. No Principal and Activities Reports due to delayed start

4. Budget Report - Gina Bernstein

- Financial Report presented and shared
- After clarifying budget balance policy with PTO counsel, motion presented by Heather Wohl last month was passed to use prior year unrestricted funds to double Staff Appreciation budget in light of the increased cost due to need to purchase boxed lunches instead of potlucks.
- Other budget shortfalls can be met by prior year balances while still maintaining 1 yr cushion in account.

5. No Committee Updates - New Uncertainty due to Omicron virus

6. General Discussion:

- Layne Helmering expressed concern that some students are very stressed over gradual district changes in homework and grading policy in the past 3 years. Agreement that further clarity of what of the exact policy changes are and the strategy driving these would be appreciated. Maria Kremsreiter asked about the metrics used to measure effectiveness of any changes that have been implemented. Liz Chung suggested that some form of the return of 'Coffee with the Principal' session held pre-pandemic would be helpful to get clarification to these questions. Bryan to ask Dan Gutchewsky to bring back discussions, albeit virtually.

- Motion to adjourn:

Adjourn – NEXT MEETING – February 7, 2022