

**Franklin-Randall PTO Board Meeting**  
**9/12/23 5:30-7:00 p.m.**

**Call to order** – 5:33

**Attendees:** Mary Rihani, Colleen Manner, Lisa Hawk, Darby Puglielli, Ashley Rose, Ashley Check, Ashley Russell, Mickey Willis, Kemper Smith, Emily Powers, John Wallace, Elizabeth Kraege-Soechting, Kate Freedman, Caitlin Voegele, Colleen Moss, Amy Rountree.

**Meeting minutes:** Will re-send May minutes and approve at next meeting.

**Introductions and welcome new board members.**

**Principal updates:**

**Emily** — Franklin school updates

**John** — Randall school updates. Fun Run coming up on Oct 6.

**Recap PTO activities over the summer:**

Randall Garden

Events — 5K playdates, welcome back coffee & staff breakfasts First football game parking at Randall.

Franklin Playground meetings

Volunteers — new volunteer dashboard

**Communications Chair vote:**

Kate Freedman volunteers as Communications Chair. Colleen Moss motions to vote her in, Lisa seconds. Motion approved.

**Treasury Update, Lisa Hawk:**

Overview of the 2023-24 budget. Expected income is the same as last year. Last year there was a deficit, but we have a balanced budget this year.

Budget expenses by category — 34% on Community Building, 33% on Curriculum Support, 12% Discretionary/Grants, 11% Student Support, 6% Fundraising, 3% Admin expenses.

Lisa motions to approve the budget. Mickey seconds. Motion carries.

There is \$3200 to transfer from old Future Problem Solvers fund (program no longer active at Randall) to new math program, Reflex Math as a trial for this year.

Lisa motions to move inactive program funds (Future Problem Solvers) to Reflex Math as one year trial, Mary seconds. Motion carries.

Discussion on Franklin playground funds and PTO capital fund.

Kemper motions to move \$30k from PTO capital fund to the Franklin playground fund, Mickey seconds. Motion carries.

### **Playground project update, Kemper Smith:**

Recap of meetings over the summer to discuss the problems, resources, values, goals.

Identified issues and goals: there are trees that need to come down (Emerald Ash borer), puddles that freeze over and cause kids to slip, desires to better utilize shady areas and increase accessibility.

Phase 1 — fixing drainage issues. Involves breaking up all asphalt, regrading, adding tile drain down the center that goes to the city sewer line. Add turf (natural or artificial).

Kemper is creating a committee to meet separately and make recommendations to propose phases, budget, etc. Will have updates throughout the year.

Discussion about fundraising ideas and options for additional fundraising.

### **Directory project update, Ashley Russell:**

23-24 Directory is underway, finding volunteers and beginning work end of September.

### **Bayview update, Colleen Manner:**

Recap of recent meeting with Bayview and ideas for collaboration.

### **Community Engagement, Ashley Rose:**

Planning out community engagement meetings.

November meeting — focus on curriculum, will need staff members from both schools to present.

January meeting — summer learning opportunities.

April — getting to know the PTO.

**Webmaster Update & Check In, Elizabeth Kraege-Soechting:**

Send her updates.

**End of Year Survey Results, Mickey Willis:**

Very few responses received at the end of last year, plans to update and send it out again.

**Box Tops, looking for a volunteer:**

Easy way to fundraise.

**October PTO Meeting:**

Randall's Student Success night is on the same date as our scheduled meeting. Moving it to 10/17.

6:56pm — meeting is adjourned.