Mission: The Muir Parent Teacher Organization (Muir PTO) exists to create experiences that cultivate student learning, foster student development, and promote pride in our school and community.

# Parent Teacher Organization Meeting October 2, 2020

Welcome: Alecia Malmrose

Teacher Relations: Ms. Nelson

Laps for Lions was a huge success! The kids loved the obstacle course and the mechanical pencil for turning in their pink envelopes.

Thank you to parents for being patient and kind during all of the changes we are experiencing.

#### Principal Business: Mr. Richardson

The School would like a digital Marquee to replace the current marquee. The school has saved \$20,000 and the bid is from \$28,000 to \$35,000. The Marquee is a means of communication for the parents and community. The marquee has programmable times to display info. The PTO encouraged Mr. Richardson to fill out a teacher grant to raise additional money to get the Marquee.

The Teachers and Staff could really use a kind email of support from parents as we adjust to all of the changes. Write them a thank you note or send an email.

Muir is focusing social and emotion learning for all students. The school councilor will be working with all of the classrooms about anxiety and other emotional concerns. The councilor also has a lounge chair in her office if anyone needs to take a break and destress. The school would also like to make a Relaxation Room for the Teachers. Mrs. Truelson is asking for ideas or donations for the Relaxation Room. The PTO has encouraged Mrs. Truelson to write up a Teacher Grant for help with the Relaxation Room.

Lunchroom: The staff is working hard to streamline the lunch ordering process to leave more time for the kids to eat. The school has more people helping, assigned seating, and sanitizing the tables after each grade has eaten. Please encourage your kids to eat quickly and save the talking for the playground.

Parents PLEASE send your kids to school with a mask and have an extra mask in their backpack. The school purchased disposable masks in case kids lost a mask but we are going through 50 masks a day. Help your children by writing their name on their mask and showing them how to hook the mask on a lanyard or around their arm so the mask doesn't get lost or dirty.

#### Budget - Bonnie Garrick

Vote on Budget – See attached Budget. All budget items were voted on and approved.

All Field Trips have been postponed until Spring.

Teachers do not have to purchase cleaning supplies for their classrooms – the school has hand sanitizer and disinfectant spray supplied by the School District.

## PTO Board Members - Alecia Malmrose

Positions to fill...Laps for Lions co-chair, Laps for Lions Fundraising Committee, Field Day, Red Ribbon Week Elect, Reading Week Elect, Vision Screening, Spelling Bee, and Junior Achievement. If you are interested, please contact a member of the PTO Presidency for more information.

Vote on Board Members – all PTO Board Members were voted on and approved.

President Alecia Malmrose, President Elect Brynn Stewart, Treasurer Bonnie Garrick, Secretary Kristi Jensen, Treasurer Elect Tara Norbe, Secretary Elect Tiffany Johnson

#### Laps for Lions – Tara Norbe

Spirit Prizes and Raffle prizes will be going out the week of October 5<sup>th</sup>! Thanks to Tara Norbe, Shelly Craven and everyone who helped with Laps for Lions! Thank you to Mrs. Hughes for helping with the obstacle course. The students ran 4,800 laps!! Thank you Muir Community, we raised over \$40,000! Parents please consider joining the Laps for Lions Fundraising Committee next year. We need lots of volunteers to help carry out this successful fundraiser.

## **PTO Events**

#### JA City and Junior Achievement - Brynn Stewart

All of the schools that were scheduled for this fall had to be cancelled due to Covid. They are tentatively planning to open in the spring. We are so sad for all of our 5<sup>th</sup> graders that will miss out on JA City this year. The Junior Achievement program has also been cancelled due to Covid.

**Book Battles** – Shelly Fojtek

The District Book Battles have been canceled. Mrs. Spangenberg is planning on holding a school book battle – details coming soon. For a list of the books see the Muir Elementary Website homepage.

#### Art Start - Michelle Brooks

Michelle sent out an email to the teachers with projects that they can do with their own class supplies like crayons, paper, colored pencils. All art supplies have to be sanitized and not shared between students. The projects can also be used as class party activities. The PTO has purchased the Art Start program and it is offered to the entire Muir community. You may use the lessons to supplement online learning or a fun weekend activity. If you would like to participate in the Art Start program from home but need art supplies, please contact a member of the PTO Presidency or Michelle and Nancy and supplies will be given to your family.

The website is <a href="https://www.deepspacesparkle.com">www.deepspacesparkle.com</a>

username: <u>muirartstart@gmail.com</u>

password: muirartstart

Red Ribbon Week – Brynn Stewart and Kristi Jensen

RED RIBBON WEEK OCTOBER 12-14TH

Monday: Use your head - don't do drugs! WEAR A HAT

Tuesday: Team up against drugs! WEAR A SPORTS SHIRT OR JERSEY Wednesday: Proud to be Drug Free! WEAR RED and WALK TO SCHOOL

Mr. Richardson will walk with students from North Canyon Park at 8am and Mrs. Truelson will walk with students from Lewis Park at 8am. Enjoy a healthy snack when you get to school. <u>Please eat breakfast</u> before you walk to school. Breakfast will NOT be served this year.

## Teacher Appreciation – Tiffany Johnson

We love our teachers!! Please consider writing an email or kind note to your teacher.

# Congrats to the Muir Students that performed James and the Giant Peach

# **Upcoming Events**

October 5: Boo to the Flu 3:30-7pm T-shirts will be sold during Boo to the Flu

October 7: Picture Day

October 12-14: Red Ribbon Week

October 14: Walk to School 8 am

November 6: Parent Teacher Organization Meeting 10am on the stage

Attending Meeting: Alecia Malmrose Kristi Jensen, Bonnie Garrick, Michelle Brooks, Nikita Orchard, Shelly Truelson, Shelly Fojtek, Tiffany Johnson, Bynn Stewart, Kristy Hodgkinson, Nancy Olson, and Ali Peck

Want more information about the PTO? Join our Facebook page at Muir Elementary PTO. Look for a picture of the Jazz Bear on our main page. This is a private Facebook page, you will be asked to answer questions before your friend request will be accepted. You can also look for PTO information on the Muir Elementary Website <a href="https://muir.davis.k12.ut.us/">https://muir.davis.k12.ut.us/</a> click on PARENTS AND STUDENTS and then click MUIR ELEMENTARY PTO.