Friends of Hawthorne Meeting - DRAFT minutes

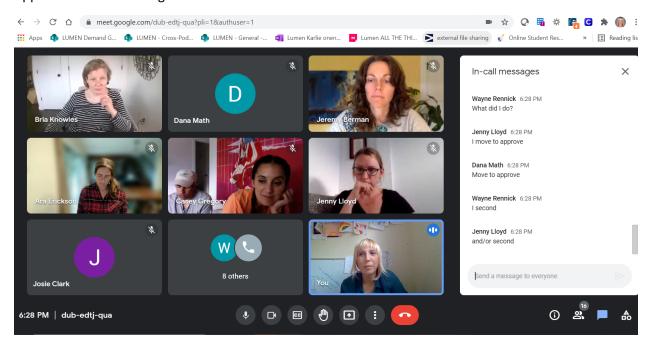
5/11/21 6pm - 7:30pm via Google Meet

**Attendees:** Percy Allen– President; Casey and Tommy Gregory – co-vice-president, Ara Erickson & Josie Clark – co-Treasurers; Corin Lianides - Secretary, Plus 9 community members.

Percy kicked off meeting.

Corin Reviewed minutes from 4.6. approved and image pasted in 4/6 minutes doc.

#### Approval of 5.11 meeting



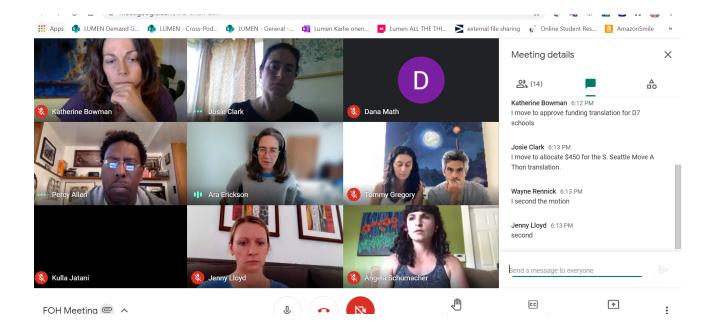
#### Treasurers report - Josie

Expenditures for April: taxes filed and dance a thon expenses, disposable masks, books, teacher appreciation, family support funds to Launch, 5th grade photo booth.

Request to translate materials for other south Seattle Moveathon – group of south Seattle PTA's has put together south end walkathon. They did reach out to us, but we were already involved in our own Danceathon. They were going to cancel, because they couldn't afford details. We are hoping to support by paying \$450 for translation services. This is a great opportunity to support other more nascent PTAs coming from a position of longevity. We are interested in partnering in this with the other schools next year.

We need to move to get a new Walkathon lead for 21/22 school year.

Putting \$450 expense to a live vote in meeting: Katie Bowman moves to approve, multiple seconds. Screenshot below.



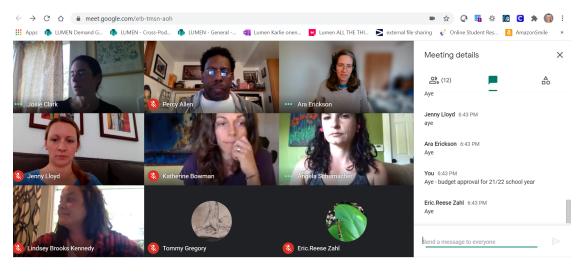
### 2021/2022 Budget Proposal - Josie

Josie reviewed proposed budget for next year, line by line. Previously shared to PTA board as well as foh listserv community in advance.

Josie is asking if we are able to vote on this budget this evening, unless there are questions and concerns that should push us to either next month or a separate vote meeting.

Percy is asking that we put money into after school programs, instead of TBD. They are putting \$2000 in there in the case to cover any down payments that may need to be made over the summer prior to new PTA meetings for budget allocation approvals.

# Budget moved for approval; seconded, and budget officially approved – see screenshot below.



Katie Bowman Q: do we know how much translation costs? Within D7 group, they are trying to get SPS to fund translation since the cost disproportionally hits underfunded schools in the south end. Jenny

Lloyd recommends discussing with Devin Bruckner as she may know due to her support of the Mercer PTA.

#### Danceathon update: Angela Schumacher

This was a staff-led idea to promote equity in the school for fundraising, great experiment. Lindsey, Emilie, then Ara emailed 85 families to get the matching pool (\$17,759!). We have also raised almost \$5000 as of now. Over the next 2 weeks we hope to really lift the total. They have made a lot of effort to outreach to whole school through many channels: email, social, packets, library pickups, robocalls, school signs. Have each kid Reach out to 5 people to ask the community to support us!

**Need 1 parent volunteer to get remote kids their fundraising packages** – Ara suggests to put out a quick email to FOH listserv for volunteers. **Need also parent chat volunteer for the event** – to manage chat to ensure chat remaining positive.

What time of day should the event be? Should it be during the school day to focus on the kids or evening for community attendance? Likely focus on the kids – plan it for the day.

Next year thoughts: straight ask in the community will work up to a point, but doesn't seem like it will fill the 100-125K funds that we have wanted/needed for the school. Silent auction across all community, combine live auction; or combine fall and spring into larger output. Ara said that we could raise likely more, because we really only asked for a limited amount (about \$22k).

We need to nominate a fundraising lead sooner than later for next year because it takes a lot of focus and planning long term. We have lots of historical documents/files to support the next group of folks.

We need a **fundraising committee** for ideating options so we can come back to the group with ideas so we can get a plan in place. **Action: outreach to community to get committee** – Wayne/Ara?

#### **Board Election – Percy**

We need to vote next month. Still need 2 Vice Presidents and a Treasurer.

Percy – to email listserv about volunteers. Here are the roles, board members and lots of great volunteer opportunities. Board member can solicit, but answers need to go to <a href="mailto:nominations@friendsofhawthorne.org">nominations@friendsofhawthorne.org</a> email alias.

#### Advocacy update – Katie Bowman

SPS is putting together a group to review transportation standards for SPS to make it more equitable and efficient instead of plopping a 1 mile radius around the schools, consider the actual neighborhood, roads, etc.

Department of Neighborhoods came to D7 meeting – looking for feedback on having vaccine pop ups in or near schools. What times, what set up? Really want families to have access to vaccines who have kids.

## **New Business?**

**Update or refresh the FOH website**, some of the content needs to be updated; the about page, update the story and add in some of the history. Think about the audience of likely new families or upcoming families – what would they want to most get out of the site? What else? Corin to manage.

Reach out to Dana to get the history of the FOH.