# Hiteon PTC General Meeting January 9th, 2019

Attendees: Amy Harrison, Megan Mumford, Carrie Tillotson, Shawna Grigsby, Marilee Shafer, Micki Stone, Becky Gross, Leslie Logan, Marisa Quinn, Stephanie Andrews, Monica Arbow, Amy Bernert, Sherry Dexheimer

#### Welcome/Introductions

## Review/Update Norms:

- Limit side conversations
- Information seek first, then ask questions
- Assume good intent
- Open forum format where people feel comfortable to share

## **Discussion Topics**

- 1. Principal's report-Monica Arbow:
  - Everything back to school and running smoothly after winter break
  - o Budget shortfall (news received yesterday): \$10-12 million shortfall for this year. There is a 20% cut to the budget right now. Hiteon is out about \$15,000. Don't expect to have to change much for this year, but will have to conserve, especially on consumables. Not cutting people, days, salaries. Reasons for shortfall: ELL enrollment over-projected, district anticipated continued student growth but it's actually remained flat, decrease in students in poverty so less funds from state, less attrition of experienced teachers, implemented pay equity legislation all these together have contributed to shortfall.
    - Are there ways the volunteers can help conserve? PTC does have funding, and can help. School will reach out to PTC if requesting help in any way.
  - Kindergarten orientation already planning for.
  - Planning for state testing, which will occur in April/May.
  - There was another Lockout yesterday. It went as smoothly as it could. Erred on the side of safety. Debriefed afterward, weren't in

lockout very long. SRO's arrived in 3-4 minutes, out of lockout in 10 minutes. Person was contacted by teacher but was not responsive. He was flying a drone and had headphones on. He may not have realized he was on school property (he was near the baseball fields).

- i. How was it from parent perspective?
  - 1. Feedback is that it was fine.
- ii. There was other feedback regarding the school district threats from before Christmas.
  - Communications for that series of threats were being handled by the district.

### 2. Eco School Network/Green Team

- Becky and Micki are parent-portion; Leslie, Marisa, and Stephanie are the staff-portion of the green team.
- A few goals of the green team:
  - i. Establish a student green team
    - 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders submitted applications. Will start first meeting Friday Jan. 18 after school. Have 20 kids interested in participating.
    - Will do some education. They will get to see a waste audit conducted. Help identify places we could be doing better.
    - 3. First meeting: Have kids share their goals for green team.
    - 4. Hope is that student green team can present at student assemblies.
  - ii. Recertify with Oregon Green Schools designation at basic level.
  - iii. Reducing school's environmental impact.

## Eco School Network:

- Is designed to support the Green Teams, which are part of Oregon Green Schools.
- ii. Five-week training sessions for Agents of Change training,it's a nonprofit with goal of getting parents enthusiastic about environmentalism in the school districts.
- iii. Trainings have provided collaboration with Green Teams from other schools.
- iv. Would like to get other parents involved? Can PTC help the Green Team find and connect with other parents? Can recruit through PTC newsletter.
- v. Recycling practices at Hiteon are amongst the worst and we are at risk of being fined. How can we get students and teachers to understand recycling?
  - Hiteon has too much garbage and non-recyclable items ending up in recycling.
  - Request has been made to teachers to separate the garbage and recycling cans so that its' easier for kids to recycle correctly.
- vi. First goal for this year: create staff and student awareness so that we can recertify at the Basic level. Need to refresh our practices.
- vii. Next year: want to work on idling campaign through the school drop-off line.
  - 1. Karl Myers is passionate about this.
  - 2. Sue Shade is a districtwide resource person that could provide support.

- viii. Want to recycle Crayola markers there is an established program. There are things that can be recycled easily, just can't go in recycling bin.
- ix. Eco School Network is to involve parents and teachers.Supports Green Schools, which is a separate organization, with various levels.
- Pilot program for getting rid of disposable silverware at other schools. Possibly get rid of the salad bar boats. Looking at changes that could be made in the lunch room.
- Green Team wants PTC to know that they exist. Becky and Micki can supply newsletters blurbs. Carrie will add them to newsletter list of contacts.
- Being a PYP school we want to support the kids to being the leaders and could use more help from more parents.
- Can't recycle glass at Hiteon. Can't recycle pizza boxes –
  cardboard has to have no food contamination. When in doubt –
  throw it out. If you max out the contamination level, the whole lot of
  recycling has to be thrown out. Can't recycle paper with glue, glitter,
  peel off as much tape as you can.
- Kids will start to make educational posters about what's recyclable
  - i. Skits might be helpful
  - ii. Will also present to individual classrooms
- 3. Budget Review-Megan Mumford
  - December is typically slow month for Treasurer
  - ~\$81,000 in bank as of yesterday
  - Got \$10 for Math Labs
  - A lot of classroom reimbursements, and a lot of teachers are already maxed out on their classroom funds.

- Do teachers have a good grasp on the fact there's a curriculum fund for each grade level? Monica and Amy Bernert think most teachers are aware
- Got some Fun Run sponsorship donations
- Need to recruit a treasurer for next year

## 4. Follow up:

- Newsletter Translation-Community Response:
  - i. Had 18 views of Spanish edition newsletter last month
- Bike Rack Project Update
  - i. No update really. It's in the district's que.
- Family Dance and Sock Drive
  - i. Went well. Flow went well. Face painting went well was a really nice option. Breaking out into different rooms was good. Had enough volunteers with photo booth.
  - ii. What is the role of the janitor at PTC events? We don't want to overtask him, but not sure how much we can ask, e.g. should PTC volunteers clean up spills or is it OK to ask janitor?
    - 1. Janitor has his nightly events/tasks, but is OK to ask for his support. It is not really his job to be assigned to clean-up duty during PTC events, though.
- Clothes Closet:
  - i. Our Clothes Closet day got canceled due to lockout.
- Art Lit Help Needed
  - i. Angeliou still covering extra classes. Shawna will reach out to Angeliou to see if she's gotten any help.
  - ii. There may be coverage for all classrooms now.
- 5. Family Movie Night and 5th grade fundraiser
  - Sherry Dexheimer chairing. Flyer is made.
  - Licensing fee went from \$172 to \$250. Budget is fine to cover that.
     Sherry will pay for and ask for reimbursement.
  - Sent email for 5<sup>th</sup> grade fundraising but haven't heard back yet.
     Shawna will contact them to see what they need for Movie Night.
     May want to check with them to see how many tables and any garbage cans. They probably will need change, money box. Laura Harding heard back they will have concessions in the hall and cafeteria.

- Need to submit a request for basketball hoops to be raised.
- Will use new projector system for showing the movie, and sound system is hooked up to big speakers. Dawn Trout will help set up AV before she leaves for the day.
- Will encourage people to bring their own chairs.
- Movie is Incredibles 2
- For volunteering: Laura Harding will set up in MVP. Sherry has a couple of people lined up to help.
- Will need 1-2 volunteers to help with management. Sherry will talk with Laura to see how many volunteers needed.

## 6. Fun Run Planning Begins

- First committee meeting next Thursday, Jan. 17.
- Fun Run will be one day instead of two days
- Have hired a company who will set up course outside. Kids will run by grade level instead of as a class. Suggestion is that all kids will run at their regularly scheduled Specials time
- Half way to goal of corporate sponsorship to be able to provide t-shirts to every student and teacher, instead of as prizes
- Prizes want to do more experience-based prizes more than physical prizes, if possible. Ideas include:
  - E.g. kids who raise \$100 kids get to go to after school "detention" (detention with riding scooters down the hall, ice cream, etc.)
  - ii. Something done to principal after the event
  - iii. Doing fun things at the school, instead of things that kids/families will just throw away
- Working with Marti for scheduling Fun Run assembly needs to be first week of April – need to allow kids time for doing the fundraising
- We may want to ask the Southwest Hills Church about using their parking lot on the day of the Fun Run for parents coming to watch.

## 7. Donuts with Dudes

- All is going well.
- Event is on a Thursday instead of Tuesday this year. Last year was on Tuesday and caused problems with people parking in neighborhoods and obstructing garbage cans on pick-up day.
- Nawon Thompson?? will co-chair Donuts with Dudes. Sherry will connect him with Aaron.

#### 8. 2019/2020 PTC Board Positions-Join the fun!

# 9. Upcoming events

- 1/17 Fun Run Committee Meeting
- 1/18 Popcorn Friday
- 1/21 No School: MLK
- 1/25 Family Movie Night
- 1/28 No School: Grading Day
- 1/29 Dining for Dollar-Panera Bread
- 1/30 Passport Check
- 2/7 Donuts with Dudes
- 2/15 Popcorn Friday
- 2/22 Bingo Night
- 2/26 McTeacher Night

Next General Meeting: February 6th at 7:00 pm

**Open Discussion**