



**Louisa Boren STEM K-8 General PTA Meeting
December 9, 2021 - 6:30-8pm**

Participants: Kate Moore, Cindy Heidelberg, Angela Wallis, Kate Bennett, Alicia Everly, Lily Ifner, Mary Ann Lambert, Ben Ostrom, Caitlin Huertes, Hannah Tracy, Margo Bergman, Marie ____, Paula Clement, Adrienne ____, Lauren Brohawn, Marisa Tanji

1) Call Meeting to Order (Kate Moore) - 2 Minutes

- a) Land acknowledgement: The Louisa Boren STEM K8 PTA acknowledges that we are on the traditional land of the first people of Seattle, the Duwamish People past and present, and honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish Tribe.

2) Community Check-In (Alicia Every/Kate Moore)- 10 minutes

- a) Break-out rooms - "Have you heard?"
 - i. Ideas for teacher gifts (including equity reasons we don't do pooling for teachers at STEM)
 - ii. Gym teacher feedback/questions

3) Principal's Update (Ben Ostrom) - 20 minutes

- a) Kindergartener who walked home – family had already picked the child up, somehow got separated, and the child started walking home. Official message that will go out:
 - The kindergartner was picked up from school by their parents, and was separated from their parents after leaving school grounds. School administration helped locate the child even though they had already left school supervision.
- b) Budget will likely be lower (state/district-wide) next year so keep advocating for school funding!
- c) Day between semesters (1/27) will now be a makeup day for the Nov. day we missed.

4) Approval of Meeting Minutes from 11/18/2021 – 2 minutes

- a) Meeting minutes voted on and approved by a quorum

5) Committee Updates - 28 minutes

- a) Treasurer (Trey Sanders) - 3 minutes (Mary Ann Lambert covered)
 - Budget so far only reflects checks from direct give (approx.. \$6k); online gifts will be reflected in December budget
- b) Fundraising (Mary Ann Lambert) – 5 minutes
 - May 5 – Art Gala date
 - Giving Tree is still going on
- c) Communications (Caitlin Huertas) – 3 minutes



- Posted Giving Tree ask on neighborhood pages
 - d)** Advocacy (Rob Gala) - 3 minutes (update next month)
 - e)** Race and Equity (Hannah and Ellie) - 3 minutes
 - Organizing efforts
 - Career day
 - f)** GLOW (Shawna Murphy) - 3 minutes
 - June 3 – Gglow celebration
 - g)** Auction (Margo Bergman) - 5 minutes
 - Will be online this year
 - Going to have a spirit week leading up to it to involve the community
 - h)** Enrichment - 3 minutes
 - No enrichment this year.
 - Need a coordinator for next year! (Paula Clement might be interested!)
- 6) Health/COVID update (Kate Bennett) -5 minutes**
- a)** December 11th Vaccine Clinic
 - Yay! Need volunteers, especially for set up and take down
 - b)** Outdoor Lunch
 - Still an option. Fewer kids using it but it's there.
- 7) Open Discussion/New Business (Alicia Every/Kate Moore) - 23 minutes**
- a)** Volunteer Hours Tracker -Erin Eaton
 - b)** Virtual Tours for prospective families - Volunteers Needed
 - c)** Parking lot improvement ideas -Caitlin Huertas is doing an awesome job shepherding!