



Highland Magnet School at Kenwood Elementary PTO
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January 2020 PTO General Meeting Agenda

Tuesday January 14th 2020 @ 2:30pm
Highland Library

Sig - President :

- ❖ Happy New Year Highland Families!
- ❖ Board / Community Introductions

Amanda - Treasurer :

- ❖ Treasurer Report

Stephanie - Giving Campaign Coordinator :

- ❖ Giving Campaign fully funded.
 - Boot camp and school supplies a bit under. Giving Campaign was able to cover the gap in school supplies and part of the boot camp gap.
- ❖ Tax Letters for giving campaign donations are being emailed to families.

Constance & Rebecca - Event Coordinators :

Prospective Events - Dates to be Confirmed:

- ❖ Winter/Spring PTO Community Event, February/March
 - Working to set something up.
- ❖ PTO Speaker Series #2, March (potentially the week of March 9th)
 - SKO Youth Sports (Josh Cordell). SKO Youth Sports wants to make Bend a model for other communities - make sports the best possible for kids. Several things underway (e.g., Coach mentoring program at high school level).
- ❖ Bike Night & Unplugged Week, May
 - Unplugged Week (mid-May): kids take a pledge to be screen free for one week. Kids who successfully complete the screen free week get a prize at the end of the week. PTO sponsors activities after school each day (e.g., play date at Harmon Park, roller skating). Parents need to bring their children to the after school activities.
 - Bike Night: Velo sprints, Pine Mt bike safety check, on calendar for BEA obstacle course, meeting with High Lakes Bike Night coordinator to share ideas, food carts, etc. A fun evening!

Karin & Jessica - Volunteer Coordinators :

- ❖ School tours: Feb 4th 1:30-2:30, March 5th 1:30-2:30 need 6 volunteers for each session
- ❖ Music and movement volunteers needed. We are looking for some parents (ideally 4 to 6) who would like to volunteer with a Music and Movement activity (Jumping Bands) with our Kinder and 1st graders. 1st Wednesday of each month from 10:30-11:30 (first time, arrive 15 minutes early to get the lay of the land).
- ❖ Look for the volunteer signups for both coming soon

Carina - Storyline Liaison :

- ❖ Working to identify all school storyline parent volunteer opportunities, please keep a lookout for communications in February. There is a storyline meeting tomorrow (Wed Jan 13th)
- ❖ Spring BOGO (buy one, get one free) Book Fair - April 29, 7 am - 7 pm
- ❖ Ale Apothecary Night: \$287 raised to support J.J. Howard attending the Storyline Conference in Siberia
- ❖ Sunriver Brewing Night: scheduled for Tues Feb 25th [funds raised at this event will also support Mr. Howard attending the Storyline Conference in Siberia]
 - Highland Apparel will kickoff that night too

Lauren - Enrichment Coordinator:

- ❖ Sparrow Club - Cami Green
 - Had an assembly in December where we met our Sparrow, Logan, and his family. Talking with kids about community service. Goal is to have each child at the school do at least one hour of community service.
 - Planning a movie night for the Spring. Last year, the Sparrow club sponsored a dance that was well received. Not sure if the dance will happen again this year or not.
 - Sparrow Fundraising so far this school year:
 - Gifts Galore: \$1,967.98
 - JJ Howard's 2/3 Class Circus Culmination - \$119.01
 - Carson & Graham Kellings Lemonade Stand - \$24.25
 - Annabel Glow Run - \$381.74
- ❖ Green Team:
 - A parent on Highland Families FB page mentioned the idea of having a Highland gear swap. The Green Team built on that idea to have families donate their old Highland Gear, Green Team will make sure everything is washed, and then have a Highland Gear sale (proceeds to be donated to some cause such as for animals in Australian fire, Sparrow, or other).
 - Brown Cannon (sp?), parent at Highland, is starting a "No Plastic" initiative with a video. The video will be shown at an assembly and there is a K-5 pledge to use less plastic that will be in the Highland Newsletter.
- ❖ Highland Robotics: Spring Planning Meeting for Parents - Tuesday, January 21st at 6pm in the Highland Library
 - Spring session will start mid-February.

JJ Howard : January Content Speaker

- ❖ Siberia Storyline Conference (March 2020)
 - Storyline conferences have been held for over 15 years
 - Siberia Conference: 6 people from the West Coast. Presenters from Scotland, England, Slovenia, Iceland, Germany, Russia, and USA.
 - JJ is working with a Portland based storyline educator to deliver a 1/2 day Introduction to Storyline (based on a 7 day course) at the Siberia conference. JJ will also be presenting on All School Storylines.
 - Next International Storyline Conference will be in March 2021 over Spring Break in Sweden
- ❖ Q&A
 - Are the conferences open to everyone? Yes, everyone is welcome to participate.
 - Highland is the only elementary school in the US that is storyline K-5. It's pretty powerful/magical when teachers around the world ask us about our experiences.

- Sally (one of the founders of Storyline) called Highland the “beacon of storyline”.
- Several hundred people attend these conferences (e.g., about 300 in Slovenia, more in Portland).

Brian - Principal :

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- ❖ General Announcements
 - Remodel of school main entrance / front office for secure entrance is coming up (starting to tape things out). I worry this may happen during school tours or during culminations. Shawna and Elizabeth will need extra support during this time.
 - Bend-La Pine School District Superintendent Shay Mikalson is stepping down after this school year. The district is soliciting public input for criteria for a new District Superintendent: 3 public meetings (Jan 14 5-6:30pm Skyview Middle School, Jan 15 5-6:30pm Cascade Middle School, 16 4:30-6:30pm La Pine High School). A survey will also be sent out to gather input

Sig - President :

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- ❖ **Save The Date! - February 2019 General Meeting: Tuesday 2/11 @ 8am**
 - Location : Highland Library
 - February Content Speaker : Shimiko Montgomery (Bend-La Pine School Board)
 - ❖ Questions / Feedback
 - ❖ Adjourn & Appreciation

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