

GMS General Meeting  
1/25/2018. Called to order at 9: 30 am by Laura Feng

In attendance: see attached. Mickie Jarecki and Angela Young, absent- excused.  
Laura Feng, Karen Sue, Angela Young, Jennifer Sung, Suchitra Srinivas (late), Dipali Nagar, Lamont Thomas.

Principals' Report -

- Dance - About 400 in attendance. Quick dismissal by 9:30pm.
- December - Lots of fundraising Spot the Jag (supporting Jag families). Teams and staff raise money to spot the jag as well as parent donations. DeWindt had competitions \$964. 8G \$233. Project Pride toy drive (Casey/Kumor). Peer Leaders sell candy canes and hot chocolate \$200. Food baskets/gift cards are given to families by Michele Crilly.
- Project Pride - group for kids who aren't necessarily connecting with others. HSS students come back as mentors.
- WW2 vets came in to talk with 7M.
- District Grant received for Green Team from Sustainability NJ. Change out lunch trays, starting to pour out liquids separate from trash. Wicoff also received \$2000 grant. GMS putting in new water fountains in 6th grade and commons, and refill cartridges.
- Mr. Kumor/Shaugnessy doing WWPCares for Hurricane Victims. Chalk fundraiser and Battle of the Bands. Sent over \$4K to help with Puerto Rico hurricane relief.
- Parent Teacher Conferences sign up on Friday on Genesis. By teams.

President's Report -

- Talent show - Jennifer Agran. Working on it. Flyers up, kids aware. Need volunteers.
- Ice Skating with CMS - Karen
- Bookfair - Dana Fredrick. Change from Scholastic to BN day. Possible to make a GMS at Marketfair day. Try to change from March to April/May to get music groups in.
- Barnum - March 8-10.

Treasurer's Report -

- JWAC \$1500 below.
- Teacher mini-grants still available.
- Student Directory orders low. Should we continue?
- Box Tops/McCaffrey's low. Need more.

Suggestions:

Make pta meeting before concerts.

Parent Presentation: Teacher Mini-grant recipients. Madame Chiocca. Reports from various teachers. Madame Diane Chiocca - French penpal program and exchange. May 2017 students visited. PTSA mini-grant helped with bus rental for transportation. Elephant Sanctuary - raised \$775 from White Elephant sale.

Mrs. Linda Churinkas - Breakout Edu boxes. Used as intro to unit or teaching tool or as a review/summary.

Mr. Jay Thompson - composting bins. Science/SS. Composting, food waste.

Meeting adjourned 10:14a.