

**Center for Young Children
Parent Teacher Partnership Meeting**

Meeting Minutes - December 2, 2021

Agenda Item	
Welcome	<p>Carrie Leonard (President)</p> <p><i>Carrie provided a welcome and introduction.</i></p>
Director's Report	<p>Mona Leigh Guha (Director): <i>Welcomes families back, special thanks to Carrie, Hannah and Brian. To share notes in typed document so that people can reference later.</i></p> <p><i>Proud of how mitigation efforts have worked in the midst of COVID-19. Special thanks to families for helping to keep students healthy. Special thanks to teachers -- for all they do! References email from Nov. 1 regarding ongoing concerns for limited CYC hours and plan to re-introduce student assistants.</i></p> <p><i>Update on plans to extend hours: received 12 applications and 2 previous assistants interested. Interviews to begin tomorrow.</i></p>
College of Ed Remarks	<p>Dennis Kivlighan, Jr. (Interim Dept Chair, Human Development & Quantitative Methodology) <i>Introduces himself, reiterates connection to the Department and gives thanks to staff and administration. Extends his availability to meet with families.</i></p> <p>Laura Stapleton (Interim Dean, College of Education) <i>Laura Stapleton introduces herself. Former Green room parent. Gives shoutout to teachers, staff, and families. Also extends her open door.</i></p>
Officer Introductions & Updates	<p>Maria Villacorta (Vice President) Shannon Martin (Secretary) Hannah Walsh (Treasurer)</p> <p><i>Maria and Shannon introduce themselves. Both are parents in the red room. Hannah shares out financial update and budget. Updates on fundraiser plans to be discussed later in the meeting.</i></p>

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1	2021-2022 PTP Budget	
2	Fall Semester	
3	Current Balance	\$10,000
4	Fall Luncheon	(\$600)
5	Holiday gifts	(\$1,000)
6	Projected January 2022 Balance	\$8,400
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8	Spring Semester	
9	T-Shirt Fundraiser	\$1,200
10	Spring Luncheon	(\$600)
11	End of year gifts	(\$1,000)
12	Family Night Out	\$500
13	Projected End of Year Balance	\$8,500
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15	Normal operating budget	\$6,000
16	2020-2021 Budget	\$3,000
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18	Variables	
19	Additional fundraising \$?

Q: Parent asked a question about advisory board;

A: Mona Leigh: The advisory board advises the PTP and is not a decision making body. Carrie is the parent rep as president. Maybe about 8 people, including a chair, lawyer, early childhood rep, research rep,

Comment about availability of job description for student aide

Q:PTP money go to tuition assistance?

A: Carrie and Mona Leigh: No, those funds are not connected.

Carrie: A position that is still open: Historian. Anyone passionate and/or interested in it? If so, please contact Carrie

Board of Directors	Brian Kroutil (current president) <i>Unable to make it but will provide an update later. In order to function as a nonprofit, PTP must have a board of directors as a governing body who also oversees PTP elections. Two people have volunteered to join the board.</i>
Family Night Out	Maria Villacorta (for Stacy Siegel) <i>Good news! Last family night out (11/22) CYC receiving a total of \$271.44 from Potomac Pizza. Thanks to everyone who supported! Upcoming (tentative) family night out with MOD Pizza on 12/22. When confirmed, CYC will receive 20%. Another fundraiser upcoming in February at Franklins. More information to come.</i>
Major Fundraising	Bill Caporellie (Spring T-shirt sale) <i>Vendor: custom ink. Last fundraiser was in 2019. Bill suggests moving larger logo to the back of the shirt. Will be available in six colors (for each of the six classrooms). In previous years, raised approximately \$1200 (may be higher than we can expect</i>

	<p><i>this year, given that class sizes were larger in previous years). To send survey on possible price increase from previous years.</i></p> <p>Shannon Martin (Cookbook) Fundraiser idea from the brilliant mind of Ms. Damron. We are invited families to share recipes for a cookbook to be compiled and sold as a fundraise: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeMZt7FP-NBzElmlotG9wDAclimlymAv-Binjyc-JMLn_fIVg/viewform?usp=sf_link</p> <p>Carrie also to share link for Amazon Smile</p>
Green Committee	<p>Carrie Leonard <i>Now that Mrs. Wiest is no longer Orange room teachers are interested in continuing to support green committee, but in need of parent support. More than 1 parent preferred. Current activities in line with green status: recycling and composting, classroom gardens, some classrooms are still doing "Trash Free Tuesdays"</i></p>
Update from Mr. M (music)	<p><i>Winter Family sing-along to be hosted on Wednesday Dec 22 at 5pm.</i></p>
Lending Library Update	<p>Carrie Leonard for Anne Daniel <i>Has been a "fabulous success so far." Lending average of 60 families check out a book each week. Hoping to continue throughout the winter months.</i></p>
Little Free Library Steward	<p>Richard Williamson <i>Special request for Holiday themed books.</i></p>
Teacher Representative [new!]	<p>Alison Hurst <i>In addition to being an orange room teacher, Ms. Hurst is also a blue room and yellow room parent. Thank you to CYC community as a whole, but special shoutout to CYC administration. Plan on coming up with creative ideas for teacher appreciation and outdoor community events.</i></p>
Classroom Updates	<p>Red: Blessing Enekwe <i>Thanks to Ms. Damron and Ms. Slough for gets children acclimated to new routines and about CYC in general. Their very exciting study is on shoes!</i></p> <p>Orange: Brianna Tovsen <i>Entry to the orange room has been how to be a good human, to take care of each other and our space. Storytime has been focused on what illustrators and authors do. Their study is about boats.</i></p> <p>Yellow: Jamesia Green <i>Class is doing a study on books. Having a pajama day on December 23rd (tentatively) - but UMD may be closed so the last day before break.</i></p> <p>Green: Trisha Lay <i>Started off the year with two new teachers, and students have acclimated well. A fun and dramatic study on Two Billy Goats Gruffs moved into a study on bridges. Many families joined for an outdoor playdate.</i></p> <p>Blue: Jenny Kilberg</p>

	<p><i>Class started their study on photography and have been adding to their photography journal as each student takes a turn as the daily photographer. Focus on simple machines in math and science workshop. Fun to see transition from "little kid." Blue room was closed due to COVID-19 exposure, special thanks to administration for handling it well.</i></p> <p>Purple: Erin Caporellie <i>Debate on project study - trees and seeds won out over construction vehicles. Open to and excited about classroom playdates!</i></p>
<p>Community Discussion</p>	<p>Q: When will we hear about summer camp? <i>A: On CYC website there June 27-August 5th. A 6 week camp. We will post more information for registration in January.</i></p> <p><i>Comment: schedule has been very very challenging and impacting livelihoods, there is a lot of energy and angst around it.</i> <i>Mona Leigh in Response: We hear that and know that it is the number one concern. There are challenges with hiring staff and will continue to provide updates.</i></p>
<p>Close</p>	<p>Dates to remember Dec 10: Parent-Teacher Conferences Dec 22: Family Night Out at MOD Pizza Dec 22: Family Sing-a-long with Mr. M</p>