**November General Meeting**

**Date: 11/17/22 @ 8:30-9:00am**

Attendance (10+ attendees):

Kiersten Schnacke, Principal

William Shuman, Asst. Principal

Allen Moody, Teacher Rep.

Kristy Sullivan, President

Devonya Longino, Treasurer

Kristin Korneliussen, Secretary

*Summary: Primary topics were building improvements, Penguin Patch, and green space funding. Involved icebreaker discussions about improvements and future areas of focus.*

1. **Moment of silence for Robert Chandler**
2. Chandler Family Fund
   1. Contributions being collected via PTO website
   2. Memorial stone/bench planned for koi pond
3. Icebreaker (Sullivan)
   1. Parents gathered in small groups to introduce selves and discuss what they want the PTO to focus on
      1. More information about events (Penguin Patch, etc.)
      2. Classroom support
      3. Facilities improvements (specifically bathrooms)
      4. More and better communication
   2. 5th grader input
      1. Improved bathrooms, better lunches, more recess
4. Building Improvements
   1. Email campaign planned to contact board members, including rep Michelle McKissack
5. Future uses of funds
   1. Providing grocery gift cards to families in need
   2. Faculty/staff holiday party/gifts
   3. Student holiday gifts (beanies, etc.)
6. Upcoming Activities
   1. Spirit week planned for week before winter break (will include pajama day that Friday)
   2. Penguin Patch holiday store: December 5-8
      1. Two volunteers needed to help coordinate
      2. Volunteers will be needed to help students shop
      3. Daytime volunteers will be needed
7. Green Space Campaign (Jamie Naylor)
   1. Goal is to turn blacktop playground into a turf field with track and basketball goals
   2. Partnership through Play Where You Stay
      1. Private donations; not through MSCS
      2. Parent committee; contact Jamie Naylor or Robin Salant to join
   3. Idlewild will need to raise approximately $50K
      1. One-time or monthly donations possible
      2. Fliers should have gone/be going home
      3. Share with family/friends outside of Idlewild
      4. Potential brick/naming campaign
   4. Funding update: 12/1

*Respectfully submitted by Kristin Korneliussen*