



## **Sabin PTA Meeting Agenda, October 21, 2020, 7:00 - 8:00 pm**

### **Zoom Meeting**

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- I. Welcome and introduction to PTA for new members (5)**
- II. School updates from Mrs. Lathan (20)**
  - A. Harvest Festival date and time need to change to accommodate teachers who will be attending a math and education course and the teachers who teach until 3pm, both pose conflicts for many teachers. If moved to Friday, someone will have to take charge because Mrs. Lathan cannot be there. We'll know the date and time very soon.
  - B. Sabin administration is looking for adult volunteers for the student leadership groups that the 4th and 5th graders attend. These groups are a challenge to monitor and supervise online. Ideal to have an adult for each group, so that Mrs. Lathan and Ms. Moeller could drop in and help each one. These meetings are held every Wednesday 2:15-3pm, an additional time will be added, an adult is needed to listen and answer questions of these eager students. The groups include: Student Support Team (how to reach out); Golden Ticket Team (working on how to distribute virtually); Tech Team (how-to instructional videos); School and Community Service Team (what can they do for school building or community); Assemblies and Events Team (how to create fun online events); Recess Team (how to get students a chance to hang out online and safe). Equity Team. Perhaps each group could present their process and or events to the PTA or whole school meeting? Here is a link to powerpoint of leadership groups: [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1XoPUPxNwaf5wRzLhcMLIPtW5fgLAD\\_sTajulr1ws7mU/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1XoPUPxNwaf5wRzLhcMLIPtW5fgLAD_sTajulr1ws7mU/edit?usp=sharing) this will give an idea of what the teams are doing--it's also added in chat.
  - C. District is talking about limited in-person instruction. You may see things in the hallways and around buildings with signage, it only means the district is preparing each building for future in-person school. If you have any ideas you can offer to Ms. Williams as she continues to meet with the committee for in-person instruction. Some parents have already given her some ideas, and she welcomes more ideas. It is still unclear who and when in-person instruction will begin, and there is growing concern those who are struggling now.



**III. School Bond Presentation (?) (5)**--Please look at the information on the website about the bond.

**IV. Discussion and Q&A (15)**

- A. Is there any more information about a Google Meet that was shut down in fifth grade because of multiple schools infiltrating the chat room? It is unclear who was involved, Irvington school may also be part of the issue. Mrs. Lathan will look into the matter for more information, but reiterated that Google Meet was shut down.
- B. There was a question regarding when Parent conferences are held. Parent conferences are the week of Thanksgiving-Nov 23rd and 24th. Teachers will be sending communication scheduling meetings.
- C. A question was asked about teacher morale. Ms. Foster answered, "we are showing up" and "we wish that we could be with the children". Teachers are supporting each other and the staff and admin are feeling supported. There are bumps in the road for sure. Allowing for some socializing has been fun. Mrs. Lathan added that she and the teachers are energized by the creativity and imagination of the students.
- D. Another question was raised about how to support teachers. Mrs. Lathan suggested asking teachers directly what they need, or have Room Parent ask.

**V. Business and announcements (15)**

- A. Open Board Seat elections: PTA Secretary (Amanda Elliston), PTA Fundraising Co-Chair (Sarah Bokich) Both Amanda and Sarah were elected to the positions.
- B. Parents have agreed to organize the Oregon Battle (<https://www.oregonbattleofthebooks.org/2020-2021-obob-book-titles/>) of the Books for Sabin. This year the state-wide event has been canceled, but individual schools can lead their own. This state-wide reading motivation program encourages reading and conversation about reading, and Sabin has had teams starting at 3rd grade. A proposal was offered for the PTA to fund the purchase of OBOG books for teams because library lending is limited because of COVID, and in-person meetings cannot be held. The proposal is for \$1500, allowing each team to acquire a set of the books to share. These funds come from money the PTA did not spend last year. The motion was seconded.  
Discussion continued about where to purchase the books, to ensure support of local bookstores. Mr. Diltz said that the books could be donated to the library after the contest. Both Greenbean bookstore and Children's Place Book Store were suggested as local bookstores to use. Mr. Diltz reminded PTA to calculate the cost of ebooks and audiobooks beforehand and include them in the distribution of teams.



- C. Halloween activities--looks like we'll have to shift date as mentioned by Mrs. Lathan.
- D. Upcoming meeting topics: Eoin B. reached out to a speaker about digital citizenship or Pandemic Parenting, how to navigate this with students. There is a link on SLACK. Is it worth pursuing? Or, too much Zoom fatigue? Is there interest? There was a suggestion about pooling resources with other PTAs for a larger audience. She's done a TED talk. This could be a great way to bring the four Tubman feeder schools together for this relevant and timely topic. Eoin will look into PPS district support, or other PTAs to help contribute.
- E. Drama Club through Northwest Children's Theater  
PTA worked to create an after school group, and Mrs. Lathan successfully filled 10/12 slots sponsored by the PTA.
- F. Communication continues to go through many channels with the intent to reach the Sabin community. Sabin School Community has Slack: Join our Slack team: [https://join.slack.com/t/sabinschoolcommunity/shared\\_invite/zt-hnt4wjc2-qQmL9oB\\_HHffqQ\\_Uhb3~eQ](https://join.slack.com/t/sabinschoolcommunity/shared_invite/zt-hnt4wjc2-qQmL9oB_HHffqQ_Uhb3~eQ) (with sub-group topics), Instagram, the Website, and Mr. Diltz and the staff are putting book bags together for underserved students as another point of contact and communication. These book bags will be delivered in person every two weeks to students and families with books, materials, and supplies. The PTA can send school communication in these bags.
- G. Reminder of PTA membership (form or online) It's \$10.
- H. Next Meeting, Wednesday November 18th at 3:30pm

**VI. Closing notes and meeting adjournment**

Meeting adjourned 8:04pm

**VII. Post meeting technical support conversation with Mr. Diltz, parent tech leaders**

**Mission of Sabin PTA:** *Our mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children. The Sabin PTA welcomes anyone who wants to be involved and make a difference in the education, health, and welfare of our children. We serve as a supportive resource for ideas and initiatives that align with our mission and values; we strive to provide Sabin community members with information, funding, volunteer resources, logistical support and communication tools to implement their ideas. We also work to keep our community members informed, involved and invested in school activities and other efforts to advocate for our children.*

**Helpful links:**

[2020 School Bond Package Referred to November Ballot](#)  
[Join the PTA online](#) or via [this PDF form](#)



Chat text from the PTA Zoom meeting:

Will Layng and Remy Arguello : Our agenda for tonight is here:  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PuWpImNe9\\_tnCx4M6wfGY1Ia\\_WJwK4Ij25PKRo6HGew/edit#](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PuWpImNe9_tnCx4M6wfGY1Ia_WJwK4Ij25PKRo6HGew/edit#)

Lisa Wright/Tim Tischler : Hi all-thanks for making the meeting accessible. Gonna keep it on mute/video off so y'all don't have to see us eat our late dinner!

Kristen Jessie-Uyanik : Boise Elliot Humboldt Chipotle fundraiser TONIGHT (till 10pm) use promo code: RH9J4L2

Kris Travis : Welcome all! I'm Kris, mom to Elodie (2nd grade) and Ada (Kinder). Co-VP of Events & Communications

Amanda Elliston : Hi, I'm Amanda Elliston, Philip Elliston, fifth grade—new to PPS and Sabin and Portland

Kristen Jessie-Uyanik : Kristen Jessie-Uyanik, mom of 3rd grade Leyla (Ms. Simonsen) PTA IT/Website Chair

Chrysanthius Lathan : Chrysanthius Lathan, Assistant Principal, My kid is Joshua at Chavez, and Sydnei, Ausha, and Rebekah who are all grownups - hooray!

Jenny DuVander : hi! Jenny DuVander, mother of Isabel (Kinder/anderson) Evan and Alana (2nd/willis)

Dara Massoni : Hi! I'm Dara Massoni, mom of Rowan (4th grader) and Kai (kindergartener)

Lisa Wright/Tim Tischler : Hi! Lisa Wright, 1st (Mease) and 3rd (Harris) graders.

Weatherford : Hi all! Jon Weatherford - dad of Theo 3rd, and Colin in 5th grade

Rachel Carlson : Rachel and Wendi- moms of Beatrix 2nd Grade with Mrs. Willis

Josh Jones : Josh Jones, father of Simone (5th/Bruce) and Hazel (1st/away from Sabin this year)



Will Layng and Remy Arguello : Welcome all, our agenda is here:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PuWpImNe9\\_tnCx4M6wfGY1Ia\\_WJwK4Ij25PKRo6HGew/edit#](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PuWpImNe9_tnCx4M6wfGY1Ia_WJwK4Ij25PKRo6HGew/edit#)

Stacey Mahoney—mom to Rory (5th/Metz) and Owen (3rd/Harris)

Jenny DuVander : Those leadership groups sound AMAZING

Kristen Jessie-Uyanik : @Kris can the leadership team use the Sabin Community IG account to live stream? If that's needed?

Kris Travis : @Kristen, yes that might work!

Will Layng and Remy Arguello : Welcome to those just arriving, our agenda is here:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PuWpImNe9\\_tnCx4M6wfGY1Ia\\_WJwK4Ij25PKRo6HGew/edit#](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1PuWpImNe9_tnCx4M6wfGY1Ia_WJwK4Ij25PKRo6HGew/edit#)

Emily Foster : I AGREE!!

Jenny DuVander : Will parent conferences be the week of thanksgiving?

Kristen Jessie-Uyanik : That's what our 3rd grade teacher does too! Leyla loves to start at 8:40am for the social aspect.

Lisa Wright/Tim Tischler : Ms Harris stayed on with Darwin and 2 other kids today so they could socialize and it was just great. Really appreciated.

Jenny DuVander : How can parents continue to support teachers in the near future?

Weatherford : Ms. Foster - that was SO helpful. Love that there is a sort of classroom happening!

Josh Jones : As best I can tell, the 5th grade 3 teacher/3 subject model is really working well

Jenny DuVander : THANK YOU MS. LATHAN YOU ARE AMAZING!!!

Kristen Jessie-Uyanik : we love you Ms. Lathan!!

Amanda Elliston : Thanks, Ms. Lathan!

Lisa Wright/Tim Tischler : Thank you Ms Lathan!



Josh Jones : Aye!

Chrysanthius Lathan : Leadership slideshow -  
[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1XoPUPxNwaf5wRzLhcMLIPtW5fgLAD\\_sTajulr1ws7mU/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1XoPUPxNwaf5wRzLhcMLIPtW5fgLAD_sTajulr1ws7mU/edit?usp=sharing) this will give an idea of what the teams are doing.

Weatherford : English teacher... for the win!!!

Chrysanthius Lathan : English teachers unite!

Jenny DuVander : I'm not sure sarah is here...

Chrysanthius Lathan : Thank you all - have a great evening.

Josh Jones : Agree with Childrens Place and support giving to library

Jenny DuVander : <https://www.oregonbattleofthebooks.org/2020-2021-obob-book-titles/>

Kristen Jessie-Uyanik : Sorry, I had to correct a homework assignment ;)

Will Layng and Remy Arguello : PTA is working on doing more communication via Slack, if you're a parent and want to join please look for us- Sabin School Community is the channel on Slack)

Weatherford : Eoin - this might be a good resource to share with fellow feeder schools. Group meeting?

Josh Jones : In general, I think a presentation of this type would be well-received

Kristen Jessie-Uyanik : Join our Slack team:  
[https://join.slack.com/t/sabinschoolcommunity/shared\\_invite/zt-hnt4wjc2-qQmL9oB\\_HHffqQ\\_Uhb3~eQ](https://join.slack.com/t/sabinschoolcommunity/shared_invite/zt-hnt4wjc2-qQmL9oB_HHffqQ_Uhb3~eQ)

Jenny DuVander : I'm in favor of the idea. It will be relevant even after distance learning ends.

Eoin Bastable : here's the link to her TED talk  
: <http://youtube.com/watch?v=eRQdAOrqvGg>

Will Layng and Remy Arguello : Thank you Eoin

Josh Jones : Thanks, Will!

Lisa Wright/Tim Tischler : Thank you!

Kris Travis : Select Sabin to become a member here: <http://www.oregonpta.org/membership>

