

Parent Advisory Group meeting

Tuesday, November 24, 2020
Agenda

- I. **Attendees:** Michelle (Kiki) Gram, Suresh Chanmugam, Steve Mesler, Barb Troser, Trish Milines Dziko, and Krishna Richardson-Daniels

- II. **Establishing Norms**
 - Ensure the baton passes at every meeting for a parent to lead,
 - Ask questions
 - Explore all ideas
 - Dream – set lofty goals
 - Action items with due dates reviewed at end of meeting or in minutes to follow
 - Prefer cameras on
 - We are respectful to everyone in the STEMbyTAF at WMS community
 - Be active listeners
 - Let people finish their thought
 - Don't hog all the airtime
 - Not everyone's experience is like yours so be open minded
 - If you make a commitment, then see it through

Student Engagement update – 90.8% of students are in attendance, headsets have been ordered for our students (hope to receive at the beginning of second semester), we are making progress; still more gaps to close, more families to engage with; there is excitement among parents about the Maker Space. Parents pose the question - Where can we fill a space and be of use that isn't already occupied?



- III. **Family Engagement** - Parent Climate Survey in collaboration with PTSA – Krishna will reach out to Jennifer Drain (Co-President of PTSA) to inquire about timeline/next steps.

- IV. **Building Relationships with Feeder Schools** – parents provided names of principals and assistant principals at feeder Thurgood Marshall and John Muir feeder schools: Ramona McManus is the Assistant Principal of John Muir, and Katie Mae is the Principal at Thurgood Marshall Elementary

- V. **Parent-led Opportunities** – Moving forward all PAG meetings will be parent led. Steve Mesler has agreed to facilitate the meeting Tuesday, December 8th at 6PM.

- VI. **Announcements**
 - a. **Makerspace and Extended Learning Coordinator hired** – Alec McGinn started December 1st
 - b. **Thanksgiving Basket Brigade distributions update** – Successful brigade with over 50 families served on November 19th and 23rd.
 - c. **Boundary changes – engagement sessions (Kimball & Hawthorne Elementary)** – SPS district will hold an engagement session, December 16th at 6PM. This session will be facilitated by Principal Hunt and STEMbyTAF Director, Krishna Richardson-Daniels to discuss the TAF/WMS partnership and STEMbyTAF model.

- VII. **Meeting adjourned at 7:12PM**