Manning PTA General meeting minutes 10/17/18

Attendees: Jeena Templeton, David Luongo, Christine Dempsey, Shannon Clifford, Kim Johnson, Cora Rice, Erin Perrin, Deb Schein, Erin Allen, Heidi Hill, Christina Helms, Kristin Vale, Laura Velapoldi

1) Welcome & Introductions

2) Approval of Minutes: The General Meeting Minutes for 9/19/18 - approved by consensus

3) Principal’s Report- Concerts, conferences, informational meeting for incoming students, Outdoor lab, Shakespeare in the Parking Lot

a. Teacher Wish List update- $4940 spent of the $5000 already allocated. The priority goes to items that directly impact kids such as microphones, Chromebook apps/ software (7th Social studies) projector and screen, 6th grade STEM, 7th grade ESL- icon literature board games, new scoreboard, spike balls, dodgeballs, recess equipment ($800) indoor recess equipment ($100), picnic tables -can we order more spike balls?

4) President’s Report- It’s been a great and busy year- One person to fill a panel on Wednesday, October 24 (Thanks Kim for doing this!). Erin asked about archery club- an adult would be needed to head this.

5) Committee Reports:

a. Chair Positions to be filled – 8th Grade Continuation

b. Reflections: Judges are set and judging will start Friday October 19. Top 3 in each category will move on and be displayed at Fall Fest.

c. Hospitality: Conference dinners were great. One parent couldn’t find the signup- add to website for next one

i. December 19 Teacher and Staff Holiday Cookies/ Treats- by signup

d. Chili Cookoff – update- Send stand-alone email with all Fall Fest info and signups- include tickets to dance- clarify tickets (send 10/18) and include deadline and \*access class baskets

i. Chili signup genius - need more red chilis- Manning alumni to help rotate and serve chili- we have 162 tickets sold and 75 families- Help at 12:30 on Friday, we will have access to library- Spirit week is the week leading up to Fall Fest- Photo booth, school items and access class baskets will be in library

ii. Timeline – Voting close: 7:50 pm – green / 8 pm – white/other / 8:10 am Red; Winners announced: 8:15 pm

e. Silent Auction – update- we have 100 bottles of wine- looking for pumpkins, corn stalks, apples for decorating- bring Friday am. Balloons- need giant 5, 6, 7 and 8- Programs are ready- payment will be on Chromebooks- Cutoff date for online ticket sales – Wednesday, Oct. 24th midnight

6) Treasurer’s reports – September 2018 Financials- September reports- membership is slightly lower than we would like. Taxes due November 15. PTA Membership has been paid.

7) Approvals – if required

8) Other Business-

Have Manning/ PTA ever brought in speakers/ programs about vaping, smoking, drugs, online safety, suicide prevention? The School Resource Officer (SRO) will address these as well- can we get a box accessed only by SRO? Safetotell is 100% anonymous, and probably the best way for kids to communicate problems- false reports can be identified- this is grounds for suspension- Vape materials can look like pens or USB drives

There are concerns about traffic at pickup time.

a. Vice President – Voting- Shannon Clifford was voted in as new VP- Congratulations!

b. Bond & Mill Ballot Initiatives- Please vote and support 5A and 5B.

9) Next Meeting – Wednesday, November 14, 2018 – 8:30 am- no December meeting is planned