



# Equity Team Meeting 10/02/2019

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

## In Attendance:

Alissa Cohen	Monica Fink	Rachel Miars Layne	Victoria Hoelzer-Maddox	Simòn Perazza	Erin Roberts
Josh Robertson	Dana Watson				

## Agenda Items:

### 1. Principal's update

- Recently held the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Marble Muskrat Movement Mayhem (M4) Fundraiser that was a huge success bringing in \$4,000 so far with donations being accepted through Friday, October 4.
- Donations can be made online at <https://squareup.com/store/MarbleSchool> or via cash/check made out to Marble Parent Council.
- There were a couple of minor injuries and the weather resulted in both the early wrap up of the fundraiser for the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grades as well as the fastest cleanup ever.
- Welcome back assembly was held in conjunction with M4 and debuted the newest M4 anthem.
- Welcome back night was held on September 5<sup>th</sup> and was a great success serving approximately 450 scoops of ice cream and 48 allergy friendly popsicles afterwards.

### 2. Treasurer update

- Funds didn't roll over from 2018-2019 but we have received the same amount this year (\$5,000).
- Budget proposal outlined loose identification on how we would spend the funds was approved.
- Proposed budget will be presented to the MPC at Oct 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### 3. Equity Team elections. Vacancy in vice presidency. Simòn Perazza was put forth for role of vice president and was voted in unanimously.

### 4. Upcoming initiatives updates

- Rodney Page Experience: Rodney Page is a highly sought out music clinician throughout Michigan. The Full Engagement Experience uses music and energy to engage students during his assemblies to reinforce topics students deal with on a daily basis ranging from bullying to self-esteem. Mr. Page creates a nurturing and positive climate where students of all ages feel comfortable and are engaged during the entire assembly and learn skills they can apply throughout their lives.
  - a. Tali and Mrs. Larzalere discussed having Mr. Page come in for an assembly.
  - b. The proposed budget lists the 2 item lines totaling \$1,000 for the Rodney Page Experience but Mrs. Larzalere will apply for a grant with the East Lansing Education Foundation that will likely fund at least half of the asking fee for an assembly.
  - c. The grant is due October 18<sup>th</sup> and takes a while for determination, so we probably won't learn the funding determination until November.
  - d. Last year the East Lansing Education Foundation gave out approximately \$50,000 in funds to the schools in the district.
  - e. The MPC has a \$2,000 line item budgeted for assemblies that we may be able to tap into.
  - f. <https://www.full-engagement-experience.com/>
  - g. <https://www.facebook.com/FullEngagementExperience/>





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- Community Documentary Screening: The subcommittee responsible for putting together the documentary screening has discussed the possibility of showing The Great American Lie but as with all film options is seeking a way to preview the films as a subcommittee to narrow down choices.
    - a. \$700 has been allocated in the budget for the film screening but the committee needs to identify what if any additional costs beyond the \$600 license fee the screening will incur.
    - b. Tali is checking on the possibility of using the movie license Marble already has from the Motion Picture Movie Company for the documentary screening to see if it also covers films.
  - Marble Student Assembly/Experience: The subcommittee responsible for putting together the student assembly/experience has met with Ozay Moore from All of the Above Hip Hop to discuss options for this experience. More communication is in progress to flesh out some interesting ideas and prices to bring back to the group for consideration.
  - Marble Student Assembly/Experience: Kam Komiks as an alternative to All of the Above Hip Hop. Kam Komiks is a local rapper/artist that showed interest in coming to the school to put on an assembly. It was decided that we will focus on All of the Above Hip Hop as our experience this year but if extra funding should become available, we might be able to also hold an assembly with Kam Komiks during “reading month”.
5. Show of support
- Safe Routes to school have been working on a major infrastructure grant for Marble/MacDonald schools since August 2017. After numerous meetings and public notifications of the proposed changes the SRTS team was experienced some push back that would impact the funding that had been under review pending approval. Support from the Equity Team was deemed no longer necessary as the City made the decision, based on the input of the residents who objected the proposed work at the September 30<sup>th</sup> meeting, "Based on the input of the residents on the 1600 block of Snyder Road at last night's Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) Information Meeting, the section of sidewalk proposed on Snyder Road from John R Street to Wayland Avenue was removed from the grant application. This will provide the City the opportunity to review alternatives along this block that may be more aligned with the needs of the neighborhood outside of the constraints required under the SRTS grant. We appreciate everyone's time and effort put into this very important project. A formal letter will be mailed to residents later this week." Since this was decided we no longer need to write a letter in support.
  - Carnival- Face painting: It was suggested to provide face painting at this year's carnival from Face Painting by Hilary but was discussed that this would not be necessary as we already have free face painting available at the carnival.

