Friends of Morey

PTO Dec. 19, 2018 Meeting

Fundraising/volunteer updates:  
Amazon Smiles rebates trickling in - idea to add a widget to PTO page on Morey website  
Grocery cards - seen an uptick in $, Safeway cards and King Soopers available in office  
RPM (Fillmore Event) parking - received $1200 for Oct (included back payment for summer events), have other events on calendar  
Chipotle - community event raised $156  
Holiday gift cards - $725 received to date (12 families received cards), + $600 promised from an anonymous donor  
Business sponsorship - great turnout to visit the businesses, anticipate it taking a while for things to trickle in but already have a window decal signed up from Argonaut ($250 level), 303 skate shop interested. There are tiered sponsorships available. Maybe need another canvassing day on a weekday since some businesses are closed weekends.  
Student council - Mai Lan point person.. sold hot chocolate at lunch, much enjoyed, put together a holiday door decorating contest during success seminar.. being judged by student council  
School supplies - moving fwd with Edukit again  
Library volunteers- have people plus a schedule. Due to complexity of background check for unrestricted volunteer process, dialing back to have volunteers present when teachers bringing kids to class. Because the library is shared with DSISD the room is generally locked.  
Still need volunteers for other areas  
  
Treasurer updates:

Budget generally on track with where we expected. Got a good boost from CO Gives Day ($3910 to date, not yet distributed). No teacher mini grants reimbursements have been submitted to date. Remind teachers we have $ for them!

Looking for a volunteer to take over Treasurer position next year - Matt Jordan indicated interest  
  
Principals report:

Delivered by Theo Shaw. Hillary Niebauer is the new official principal, working to get all teachers GT certified through DPS, continuing innovation program, small group learning.  
One passion project from a 6th grader re bringing recycling to Morey, possibly also composting. With semester change science / social studies switching.. 8th grade also making up science in second semester.. 2 days/week to catch up.

Discussed PD/Culturally aware classrooms and opportunity cohort gap. Need to include the student voice in the shared social contracts in classrooms.. Morey has a diverse population, not being represented in classroom.  
Expos for school of choice are coming up in Jan, as a magnet Morey has to be represented in all regions. Would be good to have family representation.

Other business:  
Possibly organize a mixer/fundraiser at The Game Lounge in the Spring. Promote on social media to encourage rising 6th graders. Andrea following up.  
Follow up on Be Mindful.. need to ask for information we can send to parents  
Donors Choose - Anne SD - Morey should leverage more. If teachers have needs, reach out to Anne.  
Bertie Fiz is updating the Morey Website, including the PTO pages.  Will add the PTO mtg minutes going forward.  
Anne to reach out to Illegal Petes about a possible fundraiser.  
Next mtg conflicts with the school choice expos. Move to Jan 23rd? TBD.