

PTO Leadership Council Meeting
February 6, 2018: 5:30 pm

Matt gives introduction:

- Goes over agenda, encouragement to be involved in PTO (see slides).
- Everyone invited to all meetings.
- Movie Night is Friday 2/23 at 6:00 PM.
- Hannah-Nicole Jones to visit next week (2/28), through Asheville City Schools Foundation. Sold out for in person, ~100 tickets left for live streaming in next room.

Art Project Update and Community Listening Session (recorded)

- 3rd Stumptown Neighborhood elders meeting
- Goal: bold art that honors history of Hill Street school and surrounding neighborhood
- Grant of \$2500 from ACS
 - Ernie Mapp
 - Danny Suber
 - Christopher Holt
 - Hearing local stories, still want input/perspective from community
 - Working in Ms Duft's art classes, so all kids will get to participate
 - Multi-year project, meaningful and reflects community and equity
- Daniel Suber is recording audio. PTO is also taking video/stills – stories and remembrances by some community elders that grew up in Stumptown and attended Hill Street School. Discussion and questions by all. Some themes:
 - Community still I has a connection from Stumptown
 - Hill Street school was the rock,
 - Had to walk past (white only) schools to get to school. Just the way it was.
 - If students had any potential, the teachers pulled it out. Had some old books, but the teachers made it work.
 - Stumptown was great place to live but Hill Street School was the foundation.
- Suggestion to have pictures of the teachers in this school who were so influential. Kids need to see this, provide positivity. Longevity of teachers.
- There is a need for a central repository. Pack Library has equipment, has archives
- Can we get process going to start vision for art project?
 - Get 10 people or so on a list, don't narrow list.
 - Agreement (by community elders) that Phyllis Cheryl was heart of Stumptown, headed all reunions. Must be in mural.
- Roy Harris from YMI: North Carolina Room (Pack Library) can have its own collection, will be ready to hear stories.
- Suggestion to have the Hill Street School alumni come in and talk to 4th/5th grade classes.
- Participants have lots of pictures to share as well.
- Ernie described featuring neighborhood, developing panels simultaneously.

- Rashida McDaniels will facilitate at next meeting to determine who should be on mural. Maybe 10, 20 people?

Garden Updates (Matt update):

- Shade sail: permits are being pulled
- Structure will be taking shape in about a week
- Now square, instead of rectangle.
- Color will likely be magenta, but 4 choices to consider.

Budget:

- \$60,000 in checking in account
- Total asset of ~\$66,000
 - Income from
 - Hot Chocolate 10k
 - Breakfast of Hope
 - Dine for Dickson
- Spending:
 - Field trips are upcoming
 - Stipends to classrooms
 - Artist in Residence
- Hope to leave balance at end of the year.

Hot Chocolate Race:

- Vote for 3 yr contract renewal. Unanimously approved

Other Business

- None

Meeting Adjourned

Next PTO meeting: Monday, March 19, 2018 @ 5:30 pm