Worthington Hooker PTA Meeting Minutes October 3, 2018

Call to Order, 6.10 p.m.:

PTA Board members present: Hani Mowafi, Rhonda Roumani, Dan Gurvich, Lani Rosen-Gallagher, Alana Dlubak, Eva Geertz, Mike Delaney, Dina Roginsky

Staff present: Mrs. Ackerman

September minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report: Hani talked us through the Proposed Budget for 2018-2019. Current balance is ~\$123K, high because of After School Program funds coming in but not yet being spent as we anticipate they will be.

After School Program fees have been *reduced* so as to *make the program more accessible to more families*. The fees are reduced at different rates depending on how many days child/children are enrolled (more days, higher discount). Budget's design is supposed to create a net zero, but reality is we want to have approx. 2 months' worth of operating expenses in reserve, to keep us safe should there be a glitch in systems; this would be about \$60K. Brief discussion of changes to Long Wharf Theater after school program. Contact there is Madelyn Newman.

Budget approved.

SPMT Report: Dan speaks how every meeting thus far this year has been devoted to the search for a new Principal for the school; explanation of how pool of candidates was winnowed to 7 candidates, presently down to 2, who will speak at an open program tomorrow night. SPMT will reconvene after presentations, after taking comments from attendees, to establish which

candidate it will recommend to Supt. Birks.

Fundraising: Rhonda talks about events, whether we should/will regard them as fundraising events as opposed to community events to strengthen the schools' families connections to one another and to the larger community as well. Seeking ideas for events in both/either category.

Discussion of issues relating to families donating time vs. \$\$; of donations for specific items ("library books" "math tutor") as opposed to vague "fundraise for our kids."

Meeting adjourned 7.37 p.m.

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