



# Cupertino Middle School Parent Teacher Organization

## Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 16, 2021 | 3:30 – 4:30pm

Venue: Virtual (Zoom Meeting)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89311151119?pwd=SFdyeS9mN0tMOUhuZTkwdmxGSWhLdz09>

Meeting ID: 893 1115 1119

Passcode: GoBears!

### CMS-PTO BOARD 2020-2021

- President – Sara Grignon \*
  - Secretary – May Bakken \*
  - Treasurer – Ronda Gieryn \*
  - Fundraising – Abha Nulkar
  - Direct Donations Lead - Susan Gao
  - Small Events Lead - Shruti Dixit \*
  - Online Communications Lead - Raka Agrawal\*
  - Parliamentarian - Jenny Morrissey\*
- Principal – Jean Wang \*
  - Vice Principals- Jeanine Woodell\*, Anu Iyer\*
  - Teacher Reps :
    - Jeanette Henke - 6th Grade
    - Kimberly Pantoja -8th Grade
    - Kate Huang - 7th Grade\*
    - Meredith Shyy - 7th Grade

Attendees: Ashley Voigt, Jeanna Fratus

\*Present

1. Meeting call to order 3:35pm

2. Unfinished Business \*None

3. Principal's Report

a. School updates

- School is bringing back as many kids as possible
- Communication to teachers on plan 3/17 before sharing with the parent community.
- Science Olympiad, CMS medalled 6 out of 19 events. Kudos to Ms. Iyer (?)

- Collaboration on concurrent teaching from PE department to improve experience for in person classes for kids
- Preparation work is underway from CMS teachers for in person classes
- Celebrating Uma

**b. Angst Screening update**

- Academic Counselors: Jeanna A-L/ Ashley M-Z
- Video: Upstanders (Ashley) -October
  - Appropriate/ Impactful for all audience on the topic of social media
  - Cyber bullying, at the end, useful resources provided.
- Video: Like (Anu) -January
  - How social media affected the lives of our young people
  - Addiction to social media, types of social media and how the usage of it has affected people's lives
  - Self esteem issues
  - Instagram gamified (Like Button)
  - How to balance social media usage by parents to lead by example
- Video: Angst (Jeanna)
  - Possibly screen -Mid-May2021 Mental Health Awareness month \$1900(week)
  - Kids sharing their experience on anxiety and connected it to Phelps experience
  - Touches on race, culture, gender
  - Appropriate for all audience

> Considering purchasing all three of video viewings

-Parent viewing by CMS-PTO, possibly the same week or before the kids view it (discussion panel talk could be recorded)

-Student viewing at school

Can PTO purchase it this school year and use it next year?

Pricing breakdown - \$5,550/850 views | 1200 views (\$7,050) 2-3 weeks to watch it

**New video "2022 Race"**

Social and emotional survey, Oct/Nov and sent again in March to track growth

Discussion: Screened during lunch hour on Wednesday

Vote: \$5,500 to support 3 videos

Ronda, Second: Shruti - Ayes: ALL

-Maybe screen it to 8th graders first?

Pass

**c. Proposals**

- \*See below.

**4. Officer & Committee Reports**

**a. President's Report (Sara)**

- Elections
  - Assistance from CMS to help promote PTO open opportunities
  - Elections need to be held by April 30
- Board ideas
  - Shruti shared the importance of having a school wide event to build community spirit. Eg. Play Production
- Measure A

**b. Direct Donations (Susan)**

**c. Treasurer's Report (Ronda)**

- Treasurer's Update

**d. Communications Report (Raka)**

**e. Community Programs Report**

- Parent CMS-PTO Talks (Shruti)

- Student Professional Speaker Series (May)

Join us for CMS-PTO Student Professional Speaker Series:

**"Art and Activism - Thinking Through Photographs"**

Come listen to activist and photographer Ashima Yadava and be inspired!

**Monday, March 22 @ 6:30pm -7:30pm**

Join [Zoom](#) | Meeting ID: 836 1440 6267 | Passcode: CMS2021

With the camera as her conduit, Ashima believes in art as a means to social activism and reform. Her work is rooted in documentary practice with a keen focus on issues of gender equality, race, and social justice; like *If Hands Could Speak*, which deals with domestic violence in the South Asian community in the Bay Area. Ashima Yadava is a Director's Fellow from the International Center of Photography, New York. <[Recent Publication](#)>

**Work in progress:**

CMS-PTO Student Professional Speaker Series: Creative/Art Panel

Be inspired by professionals who built a career using their creative passion.

**Monday, March 29 @ 6:30pm - 7:30pm**

Potential Speakers:

- Jillian Simpson is a talented graphic designer. She also designs for <https://brbpanicattack.com/>
- Samantha Raja is currently a Software Engineer at Apple. Prior to her time at Apple, she spent 5.5 years at Pixar Animation Studios where she worked as a Simulation Technical Director on the films *Brave*, *Monsters University*, *Toy Story of Terror*, *Inside Out*, and *The Good Dinosaur*. Her work focused on the clothing and hair animation of several characters in the aforementioned movies.

**f. Community Events Report**

- **Spring Family Night** Event (May)

- Friday, May 14 @6:30pm-8pm
  1. **Voice Talent**
    - <https://youtu.be/PiUJKD8hkzA>
  2. **Beat Boxer - Bronkar Lee - 200million views**
    - <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1441789285962909>
    - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1SumxeyCQ-0>
    - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FGS02-wBats>
  3. **Ventriloquist**
  4. CMS Band Performance

**g. Fundraising Report (Abha)No Update**

**5. New Business - Announcements**

- Jeanine - Online/in person 8th Graduation parent group needed to plan (last two days of school)
- Anu - meet after first week of Hybrid and then a week after Spring Break
- PTO will order Welcome Back Banners!

**6. Adjournment**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 20 – 3:30pm – 4:30pm**

<b>TEACHER REQUESTOR</b>	Anu Iyer
<b>PROJECT NAME</b>	National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Care Packages
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTOR</b>	The National Junior Honor Society is a service based student group at CMS. One of their projects this year was titled "Karuna 4 Korona" - a care package project. The care packages consists of hand sanitizers, pencils, uplifting quotes, gifts for students in our community who come to pick up meals during meal service.
<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<u>\$679.34</u>
<b>PROJECT GOALS PERTAINING TO SPSA</b>	Goal 3: Continue to improve school climate to foster physical and emotional safety; promote supportive and inclusive academic, disciplinary, and physical environments; and encourage and maintain respectful, responsible, trusting, and caring relationships throughout CMS community
<b>CURRICULAR/ENRICHMENT FOR...</b>	CMS NJHS Club
<b>HOW MANY STUDENTS IMPACTED</b>	380 care packages were made

**Vote: Motion: Shruti \$679.34 - Second: Jenny**

Ayes: All

**Approved**

**Chrombooks Revised Proposal:**

ChromeBooks (Additional 12) - I did not prepare a fund request as this is in addition to the first 12 PTO approved last fall. This second round request is because we will not receive the shipment until mid-April. This order is with a different vendor of a different ChromeBook model, delivery is assured by the end of March. Our hope is to have the ChromeBooks ready for in-person learning April 5th. With 24 ChromeBooks - Boost students, EL students with the highest needs, and students with IEPs with the highest needs all can use it for easier access over an iPad. See attached quote.

**Motion- Jeanne - Second: Anu**

**\$3,403.89**

**Ayes - All**

**Approved**