

Foothill PTO Meeting Minutes

Wednesday January 11, 2023; Zoom, 5pm

1. Welcome (Haylie)

a. Attendees: Haylie Lott, Sennen Knauer Monica Mount, William Hamilton, Lisa Coburn, Ranjeet Pawar, Lisa Rice, Grant Morrison, Jennifer and Suzanne Larson.

b. Vote to approve December 2022 meeting minutes; minutes approved.

2. Officer Reports

a. Fundraising (Kristen)

- Fun Run in lieu of Spring Gala.
- Colorado Rapids for Foothill parents to get together; reduced group tickets. In the pipeline.

b. Community (Lisa)

- Heritage Night - Wednesday, January 25th 6:00-8:00pm. Just had a successful meeting regarding details. Show up and bring a dish from a culture to which you feel connected. This year there will be some dancers from Latin America who might teach dancing; break into three groups (piano, dancing and symphony). Need 5th grade student volunteers and a handful of parent volunteers (including a photographer).
- Next Bingo Night is Friday, Feb 10th; will be indoors 5:30-7pm; Sennen to help Lisa emcee.
- Talent Show - The vibe has been that it's not possible without someone like Shari Polis to organize it (she is likely too expensive); Lisa leans towards trying anyways because it's a great character building opportunity and community building event! Students are very excited about the idea of having it. Kerry, Nicole and Crystal could possibly be a great team to spearhead it. Lisa will reach out to them. Priority is that all kids have access to being a part of it; scale it down without all the try-outs and rehearsals (perhaps younger grades K-2 perform for school during the day and older grades 3-5 perform a more polished evening show). Solution tbd.
- Bike Bonanza- Luckily Tim & Stephanie Abrams are taking the lead again! They want someone to take over next year so need someone to shadow them this year.
- End of Year Party- Wednesday May 17th 5:00-7:00 pm; food trucks and Bubble Lady have been booked, possibly more food trucks needed.

c. Treasurer (Monica)

- Year To Date review -
 - We've collected \$97K from Fund the Fox, still more trickling in, more than last year and the most we've ever collected.
 - We budgeted 10K for an event this spring which has now evolved into the Fun Run (this is an estimate on what we will collect but it is uncertain since it is the first time doing it).
 - Roughly \$800 from Dine Outs this year if we have one more.
 - Original Works: checks have not come in but check in Feb to come.
 - Bingo: we make about as much as we spend.
 - Spirit wear: budget of 3K (a bit uncertain how much more we will sell with the new design).
 - Yearbook: roughly \$2,500 once all comes in.
 - Rebate programs: come out to \$2200 by the end of year.
 - When all is said and done we'll raise roughly \$120K which gets the school the amount they hoped for from Fund the Fox and gives PTO the amount we hoped to have.
 - PTO expenses
 - Pay \$85K for Fund the Fox to the school
 - Back to School Party, Bike Bonanza, Parent parties, Maker Faire, Talent Show, Trip Tracker are what we budgeted.
 - \$800 for Garden Enrichment (GTT)
 - \$2400 for various scholarships
 - Administration fees
 - We will have roughly \$8K-\$10K in excess to spend on something for the school (we won't know until May the money earned from the Fun Run).
- Bricks - all the bricks are at the school and some have been put up!

d. Communications (Ranjeet)

- Get events for the future that have not been put on the website to Ranjeet asap so he can update the calendar.
- Give info for Eblasts sooner than later.
- Heritage night website traffic - 30 hits starting yesterday through today; people are going on site to see what's going on. Eblast to be sent on 18th and 23rd to continue to market Heritage Night.
- Next event needing Eblast is Bingo Night Feb 10th and teacher conference meals.

e. Principal's Report (Sennen)

- Foothill Preschool will be starting one year later, just a postponement not a cancellation.

- Snow and ice removal - BVSD maintenance department needs to do a more thorough job; William to get an ice scraper tomorrow.
- Mr. E is hoping to come back next week; he is very thankful; feel free to email him; he does not want a Go Fund Me; there is a meal train in place, details to come for those who want to help; there's also a link to donate money which Sennen will get out to the community; staff has provided an Instacart of \$200 and house cleaning.
 - TBD if and what PTO can provide due to bylaws; no charitable line item within budget but the two discretionary line items could possibly be used (\$400 total).
- 5th grade class gift from last year was a tree; Suzanne's family will provide a tree when the ground thaws (any pine tree will work); hopefully before this year's 5th grade class graduates.
- Hug and Go is going really well; two more teachers have been added which has been helpful. Roughly takes 7 mins from start to finish.

f. President's Report (Haylie)

- GTT Volunteer - Marnie is moving and will provide one sheet of responsibilities.
- 3 part speaker series by Tracy Markel - requesting an additional \$300 for the third series so we don't need to ask volunteers to come in to do it. Vote was taken and unanimously approved.
- Meeting during the daytime - teachers can make this work.

g. Teacher Report (Lisa)

- I-Ready results 2-5th looks great; now focusing on K-1, current results indicate that students are making a lot of growth.
- The staff seems happy and rested from the break and ready to jump back in!

3. Conclusion

a. Comments from Attendees

- Next Staff Appreciation Committee meeting coming up to discuss upcoming conference meals (2/6, 2/8, 2/21 AND 2/23), meeting date tbd.
- Online accelerated math (5th grade) is going well with lots of support for the students, a lot like if they were in person; they seem very engaged and a sense of community has been made despite them using individual devices.

4. Adjournment

- a. Time of adjournment : 6:37PM.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday February 8, 2023 Foothill Office Conference Room 2pm

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/2186167512>

Meeting ID: 218 616 7512