

Foothill PTO Meeting Minutes

Wednesday November 9, 2022; Zoom, 5pm

1. Welcome (Haylie)

- a. Attendees: Haylie Lott, William Hamilton, Sennen Knauer, Monica Mount, Lisa Coburn, Lisa Rice, Ranjeet Pawar, Denise Stoot
- b. Vote to approve September and October 2022 meeting minutes; vote was postponed to November (Haylie, seconded by William, motion passed)

2. Officer Reports

a. Fundraising (Kristen)

- Fun run will be discussed/planned in January.
- Santo dine-out is upcoming (10 Nov) and already has been communicated to the community

b. Community (Lisa)

- Next bingo night will be indoors. Tony Derwinski will help emcee.
- No other events scheduled for the remainder of the semester.
- Heritage night - Karla still wants to help, but she is leaving next year. We need someone to help out in order to be prepared for the following years. Haylie will reach out to Suzanne to find out if anyone has offered to volunteer (AI). It is usually held in January. Lisa will check with Karla about dates, coordination, and status of planning. (AI)

c. Treasurer (Monica)

- Fund the Fox - \$84,200 raised so far. \$4K in the pipeline. 65-70% participation rate. Very high participation rate!
- Ranjeet states that we changed the way FtF was marketed. Monica states that every time an email went out, participation increased.
- Filed short term report when Foothill changed to file 10 month return. Monica will be changing the return from 2 years ago and for last year. She is working with the accountant and IRS to fix the returns.
- Trying to determine how money will be received for spirit wear. The only things that are sold via the website are the yearbooks. We could sell them via PayPal to not use the website. Will this change what invoices come in for website sales? Ranjeet will revert to the previous version of the website. Subscription cost for the website had gone up, but will revert back down. We should be able to get rid of CheddarUp. Booster will provide purchase and delivery. We can order bulk

through Booster to have some inventory in-stock. Monica asked William to help recruit someone to help with Spirit gear. The board will ask around as well. Sennan states that there is a Foothill family that does t-shirts and graphic design. She will reach out to them and come back to the board if they are interested in helping with Spirit gear.

- ***New treasurer needs to be brought on by March. Eblast will be sent out to the Foothill community. The PTO board has many people rolling off next year. We need to start recruiting people for the board and committee positions. Suzanne has the list that came from check-in day.***
- Staff Appreciation - pie giveaway. The Staff Appreciation committee was trying to determine what their budget was for this. Still trying to get more details.

d. Communications (Haylie)

- Most trafficked days follow emails that were sent to the community. FtF has the most clicks.
- Most visits come from directly accessing the website.
- Future bingo nights are not listed on the PTO website.
- Meeting dates are listed in Meeting Minutes. We can change the title from Meeting Minutes to Meetings or Meetings and Minutes.
- The school can send a stand-alone email about the PTO meetings to get more parents involved. If we haven't determined who could join PTO by the beginning of the year, we can send an email to the entire community to get more people involved.

e. Principal's Report (Sennen)

- Big thank you to Lisa Rice for joining as the teacher rep and that she is rocking it in her new role of Literacy.
- Big thank you to Monica for going over and above with the tax situation.
- New ILC para (Theresa Flight) joined on Halloween
- Still looking for Part-time para (.6 FTE)
- Field Trip (5th grade Fiske Planetarium) 11/10
- SAC meeting next Thursday **Nov 17, 2022**
- Open Enrollment upcoming - virtual event **Nov 9, 2022** , In person events on november **Nov 1, 2022** **Nov 30, 2022** and **Dec 18, 2022**
- Garden to Table was dropped last year due to the increased cost. PTO used to pay \$800/year. This was increased to \$4000/year. GtT has lowered the donation request to \$2-3K.
 - **Marnie Kasen** is moving and would not be able to help with the maintenance going forward.

- Teachers would need to be committed and involved if the school would move forward to asking the PTO for the funding.
- PTO is very concerned that GtT is all over the place with the donation requested amounts.
- New GtT director realized that the donation request was not reasonable and came back with the new numbers. The school decides what the donation number will be.
- Sennan will go back to the teachers to determine if they have the desire to move forward with GtT.
- Social Media Questions
 - Ideas for parenting tip series (routines, behaviors, etc)
 - School presence on Instagram, Twitter, Facebook
 - Currently it isn't being used much. Last year Ranjeet thanked Wapos for a generous donation, but that's about it
 - If social media isn't actively maintained, it's not really worth it.
 - Anyone in the parent community who can help? (William has volunteered Ben Hamilton)
- Rumors about bus routes in the mountains might be canceled. Sennan has reached out to the district to get more information.
 - If it comes back that they will be canceled, Haylie has asked that Sennan communicate how to petition to not have the routes canceled.

g. Presidents Report (Haylie)

- Haylie was contacted by the Crestview PTO that they have a parent informational series on technology (addiction, usage, firewall creation, etc).
 - They plan on doing it at Crestview, but would think about having a session or so here at Foothill
 - There are Crestview parents that don't have transportation and wouldn't be able to come to sessions at Foothill
 - Some members don't think that Foothill parents would travel to Crestview
 - Not sure where the \$300 could come from, but it is possible that it can be found (Monica)
 - PTO has given verbal buy-in to continue forward with getting more information.
 - Haylie will ask if the vendor can have sessions at different schools and if they record the sessions so that each school would be able to view later (AI).

h. Teacher Report (Lisa Rice)

- The teachers felt very valued from the Teacher Appreciation during conferences

3. Conclusion

a. Comments from Attendees

- Annie told Monica that PTO used to buy t-shirts for the staff every year. Could we sell them at cost to the teachers
- At this point, we don't know what the cost is from the new vendor, Booster
- 60 staff that would have to buy for
- Once we have more information regarding Booster, we can come back to see if PTO can provide t-shirts free or at cost.

4. Adjournment -

- #### **a. Time of adjournment - 6:44pm.**

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday December 14, 2022; ZOOM, 5pm

PTO MEETINGS HELD 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH, WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION, FROM 5:00PM - 6:00PM VIA ZOOM.

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