

General Meeting Minutes February 4, 2014

- A. **Call to Order** 8:48am
Attendees Molleen Barnes, Lisa Ball, Denise Kent-Romo, Alyson Whitaker, Kindra Mendall, Lorrie Ballard, Natalie Campbell, Abran Dreyfus, Alisa Dreyfus, Bev Brooks, Pat Gavin, Holly DeVito, Cheryl Thompson, Suzanne Naone, Victoria Cloutier, Patricia Picard
- B. Welcome and Introductions
- C. Approval of Minutes **Kindra Motioned, Denise 2nd, APPROVED**
- D. Reports
1. **President-** (Lisa Ball) No report
 2. **Superintendent-** (Molly Barnes) Spelling Bee was a huge success. Big thank you to Mr. Lakos, brought a new lens and perspective to how the spelling bee should go. Natalie Campbell was site coordinator, assisting with communication with teachers and staff. Don Ball, Mary Marshall, and Gabor Lakos were judges. Diane Thiessen was moderator, Alyson Whitaker was support moderator. Character Education update: every month a character trait is point of focus. Last month, it was fairness, this month, it is caring. "If you have a child's heart, you have his head". Cannot forget students' hearts. So proud of Sunol Glen, focus on the whole-child. So important to be caring and kind, want children to be that way toward each other. We as staff should model that behavior. Safety: Parking lot safety is important. Parking lot belongs to SFPUC, we don't have jurisdiction over parents either. We have to ask parents to be on best behavior in parking lot. Open to suggestions, a new parent suggested pedestrian flags to draw attention to students crossing at crosswalk in parking lot. We have had volunteer safety patrol throughout the years, it is hard to sustain enthusiasm. Common Core, standardized testing procedures changing. No more STAR testing, governor Brown has asked this year be a pilot year SBAC/CASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress). Parents encouraged to go online to CA Dept of Education website to look at sample tests. New testing will be much more rigorous, look at higher-level thinking. Sunol Glen assigned window of 4/7-5/16. Third through eighth grade will be tested. With computer lab and laptop carts, we should be able to complete testing within given window. No results will be given this year however, simply a pilot year. No benchmarks will be given for teachers to gauge testing. Test agency will use data from this year to modify test for future years. Still uncertain if sections will be timed. Many teachers are increasing computer exposure to improve keyboarding skills. Thursday, Feb 13 is Kindergarten Roundup at 6:30. It is essential to have 30 kinders enrolled each year to maintain healthy enrollment.
 3. **Vice President-** (Denise Romo) has nothing to report.

4. **Secretary-** (Claudia Zuanich-absent) has nothing to report.
5. **Treasurer-** (Alyson Whitaker) January was low activity month for finances, no report.
6. **Volunteer Coordinator-** (Kindra Mendall) Cheryl Thompson is willing to head overall Earth Week, need assistance with some of the smaller pieces. Need someone to coordinate snacks for testing week in May (***Patricia Picard volunteered to work with Alyson to organize this***). Still need Staff Appreciation Week chair (May 20-24), and Art Fair (March/April). All of these chairs will have ample support from materials, prior chairs, the school and/or staff.

E. Key Business

1. **Spring Fling-** (Claudia Zuanich-absent) The Spring Fling is planned for Friday, May 9th at the Sunol Golf Club from 6-9. It's a western themed event with all the makings of a fun shindig – tasty grub, line-dancing, Texas hold 'em... Lorrie Ballard: Wants to make room look like an old-town saloon. Needs volunteers to help cut cardboard and paint scenes. For those who completed \$300/student pledge, will receive a complimentary ticket. Online-Auction is being lead by Cheryl Thompson and Lisa Ball.
2. **SRT Refreshments-** (Alyson Whitaker) Saturday, March 15. Alyson will chair and provide food, will need assistance serving.
3. **Art Show-** (Natalie Campbell) Thursday, April 17, tied in with evening talent show (An Evening of the Arts). Art from all ages (1-8, plus elective). Art can be matted and framed, or art cards ordered from prints. Next morning, talent show will be performed for students, as well as be able to walk through and see their art displayed. Jooners will go out for volunteer requests. Art makes a great Mother's Day gift!
4. **Earth Week-** Cheryl Thompson will chair. Needs "Educational Stations Coordinator", "Teacher Liaison chair", "Zero Waste Lunchbox Challenge Coordinator". Michelle Flanagan will coordinate Earth Week gifts for students. *Victoria Cloutier will be "Educational Stations Coordinator"*. Tentatively looking at week of April 28-May 2. Lorrie Ballard will talk to Danielle Day about coordinating e-waste drive.
5. **Trashion Show-** (Cammie Clark and Heather Maxey) not present, no report
6. **Bingo Night-** (Megan Curtis and Sharon) Perhaps 3/21, need to coordinate with SRT.

F. Updates

1. **Garden Committee-** (Suzanne Naone) Great work day last week, a lot of volunteers, including Jim O'Laughlin. Ready for spring planting, most classes will go out in March to do big planting. Decorative gourds are hung in the garden. Banners that were on Main Street are hopefully going to be hung in the garden. Now have an owl box donated by Mr. Thiessen. Suzanne will need to step down as chair of garden, working on a binder to pass on. Might be best to establish a committee. Former garden chairs Jessica Fox and Beth Ann Bentley started the legacy, it is wonderful to have it continuing and thriving.
2. **Time with Teachers-** (Lisa Ball) Will be held separate from rest of spring auction. TWT auction will take place 2/17-2/24. Many teachers and staff are participating, promotion should start end of this week. Should be included in Eagle Flyer soon.

G. Announcements and Thank Yous- (none)

Adjournment: 9:29am **Kindra Motioned, Pat Gavin 2nd, APPROVED**

Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 4th, 2014.