

General Meeting Minutes October 1, 2013

- A. **Call to Order** 8:45am
Attendees Lisa Ball, Denise Kent-Romo, Alyson Whitaker, Kindra Mendall, Claudia Zuanich, Lorrie Ballard, Miki Whitfield, Barbara Droher-Kline, Alyson Whitaker, Cheryl Thompson, Karen Brown, Beverly Brooks, Holly DeVito, Patrick Gavin, Abram Dreyfus, Alisa Dreyfus, Deanna Murchison
- B. Welcome and Introductions
- C. Approval of Minutes **Deanna Motioned, Kindra Mendall 2nd, APPROVED**
- D. Reports
1. **President-** (Lisa Ball) has nothing to report.
 2. **Superintendent-** (Molly Barnes – not present) Miki stated that Mrs. Barnes wants to thank everybody for how smooth everything has been going. Halloween Parade - the school would like to recommend a few parent chaperones or crossing guards for the train. Kindra will send out request for volunteers. The parade is scheduled to begin around 11:15 and school has an early release day.
 3. **Vice President-** (Denise Romo) has nothing to report.
 4. **Secretary-** (Claudia Zuanich) has nothing to report.
 5. **Treasurer-** (Alyson Whitaker) has nothing to report.
 6. **Volunteer Coordinator-** (Kindra Mendall) We need chairs for November Family Social, Spelling Bee, January Family Social, March Family Social, Earth Week, Spring Pledge Drive, Spring Fling Party, Treats. Last year we did Rockin' Jump and it was a fun easy event. People who chaired these events last year are still here which makes it easier to lead/co-lead the event. Looking into finding a new volunteer site. The recognition wall is up and starting to fill it up with names of volunteers.
- E. Key Business
1. **Book Fair-** (Denise Romo) 1400 worth of books in just our first day. The volunteers and kids are both enjoying the book fair and it runs through Friday. There will be a Mummy Race between some of the staff that will be chosen by the raffle winners. Cheryl mentioned how the preview on Friday got her kids excited. There's an opportunity to purchase items for the teachers.
 2. **Walk A Thon-** (Kindra Mendall) We met our goal of \$30K (it's at \$31K+ and may reach \$32K). We still need some volunteers before the event this Friday. The event will start at around 1:00. Lap activities are a photo booth, temporary hair color, temporary tattoo, splash the staff. Food treats will be available. Water truck will be there and the Fire Fighters will spray the students. There will be individual and class awards. There are a few extra shirts available.
 3. **Costume Exchange-** (Jenny Huang – not present) Halloween costume exchange in which you can donate and/or purchase costumes. Date is TBD and there will be a few opportunities.
 4. **Art Cards-** (Natalie Campbell – not present) Fundraiser that helps fund art supplies at the school.

5. **Fundraising Ideas.** (Lisa Ball) 4th grade Sacramento Trip, 6th grade for Science Camp and 7th/8th grade for Washington DC Trip. Wants to set up a committee that'll meet up and brainstorm ideas.

F. Updates

1. **Garden Committee-** (Suzanne Naone – not present) Next week will begin planting.
 2. **Budget Committee-** (Alyson Whitaker) Met last Tuesday and did some general brainstorming. SGCC has about \$75K to work with. This is the first year in a while in which we're not having to use the funds toward school maintenance needs. We will be able to use the funds toward some diverse needs. Some ideas: increase the Field Trip Funds to classes, supporting Classroom Literacy purchasing novels, building Leveled Libraries in preparation for Common Core, purchasing permanent Canopies for the quad area as well as the pick-up area, changing out the marquee board to an Electric Marquee that won't disturb the Sunol Community (Deanna's company will quote), replacing the Projector in the auditorium (could benefit school and community – Mel (contact from last year) may be able to provide some options), building a fixed Ball Wall (may be double-sided and can be adorned with student artwork), permanent/fixed Volleyball area, Science Supplies (such as agar plates), continuing budget for the School Garden, SGCC Event support, Staff Hospitality, purchasing materials for Music Department (there's been an increase in enrollment – YAY – and it's been several years since they've received funding), Technology (add ceiling mounts to classroom projectors, laptop cart, printer for K/1 team, laptops for teachers, projector for library, prep for Smarter Balance Assessment). Budget committee will be meeting again and finalizing some items before the SGCC meeting in November. Discussion: Barbara said that she thinks we'll be bringing in more money with the Recycling Program. Beverly discussed getting backup sets of textbooks for middle school. With the upcoming changes, textbooks may be moving digitally. Karen brought up the condition of the asphalt in the back of the school (this will be get done utilizing the school budget). Budget meeting is temporarily set for October 22nd in the Library after drop off.
 3. **Santa's Secret Shop-** (Sharon Morris and Stephanie Serpa – not present) are off shopping this morning. The event will take place before the students leave for holiday break.
- G. Announcements and Thank Yous- The Bay Area Science Festival is taking place October 26th at Cal State East Bay. The event and parking are free. The event is geared toward all ages. Thank you to Barbara and all of your efforts regarding the Staff Back to School Luncheon. Deana inquired regarding the class supplies that some parents purchased in advance for students and how it was accounted for. Miki commented that there was a disconnect for 4th, 5th, and 6th. Claudia presented a Thank You card from the SG faculty and staff to Barbara for all of her assistance with the SG Back to School Luncheon.

Adjournment: 10:04am **Kindra Mendall Motioned, Alyson Whitaker 2nd, APPROVED**

Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 5th, 2013.