

## General Meeting Minutes September 3, 2013

- A. **Call to Order** 8:45am
- Attendees** Lisa Ball, Molleen Barnes, Denise Kent-Romo, Alyson Whitaker, Kindra Mendall, Don Ball, Claudia Zuanich, Lorrie Ballard, Natalie Campbell, Jen Taylor, Michelle Vargas, Cheryl Thompson, Kim Scott, Michelle Flanagin, Sharon Morris, Beverly Brooks, Stacy King, Saraswathy Laleshrivasahaan, Holly DeVito, Patrick Gavin, Karen Howe-Behnoz, Stephanie Daugherty, Abran Dreyfus, Alisa Dreyfus, Vivian San, Samina Mamunji, Urmila Padmanabhan, Andrea Wood,
- B. Welcome and Introductions
- C. Approval of Minutes **Alyson Whitaker Motioned, Michelle Flanagin 2nd, APPROVED**
- D. Reports
1. **President-** (Lisa Ball) Welcomes everybody to Sunol Glen (SG). It's going to be a great year.
  2. **Superintendent-** (Molly Barnes) We had a wonderful Back to School. The Eagles will Soar in Twenty One Four is our motto. Thursday night is Back to School Night – we ask that you don't bring your children as it is a busy evening. We are set up for success with the new Common Core Standards. Common Core is a National Standard which is fluid from state to state and readies students for college. Smarter Balance Assessment is the computer-based testing system. There will be a bit of a learning curve and there is an expectation of scores initially being low. We fully expect that to rise. Common Core Standards overview is available on our website (listed per grade level). Teachers have attended training in preparation for Common Core and will continue this year. Thank you for attending the meeting today and being able to share what we discuss with other parents. Red Ribbon Week is in October. Our school is successful because of our teachers and parents. API scores went down across the state, however at SG we stood strong and our API score is 935. Kim Scott mentioned (regarding Common Core) that all districts are going through this transition.
  3. **Vice President-** (Denise Romo) Book Fair is scheduled for September 27<sup>th</sup> – October 3<sup>rd</sup> and a Jooners will go out.
  4. **Secretary-** (Claudia Zuanich) has nothing to report.
  5. **Treasurer-** (Alyson Whitaker) This year, we have a bookkeeper (Don Ball). We have spent most of our money. Treasurer's Main Account is a record of the banking during the summer (June – August). \$4600 came in during the summer because of Spring Fling's residual income, Raley's, eSrip, SHARE's Card, Target Red Card funding. This is a great program and a great way to get extra funds. Our outflow this summer was toward Teacher Discretionary Funds (TDF). This year, each grade level teacher gets an amount of funds to spend as they see fit. In the past, Sunol Glen Community Club (SGCC) has overseen this account, this year, we wrote an amount to the district and Teresa Donovan (Sunol Glen

Fiscal Services) disperses funds based on budget needs. Don Ball presented SGCC with a \$50 donation from several fifth grade families and other concerned Sunolians.

6. **Volunteer Coordinator-** (Kindra Mendall) To volunteer at the school you have to fill out the Volunteer Application Form and turned in to Lindsay Fischer. TB test may be required. SGCC can't be as successful as we are without our volunteers. We ask that our community dedicates 2 volunteer hours of their time and turns in their volunteer hours. Jooners is a website that helps us organize volunteers so that we know what we have and what we need for an event. Jooners simplifies the process and will send reminder emails out. We are looking for people to serve on committees and lead events. On the back of the Community Club sign-up form is a list of our needs. As a thank you, you will be recognized on the recognition wall and when you've served 20+ hours, you'll receive a lanyard that facilitates office-sign-in when you arrive at the school so that you don't have to wear a sticker. If you are a room-parent and you need to utilize Jooners, it is available to you, just contact Kindra. We are looking for somebody to bring treats to share at the CC meetings. Community Club doesn't organize Room Parents for teachers, but we put something together to give people an idea of what's involved in being a Room Parent. This year for Staff Appreciation Week, we plan to coordinate a little more with the Room Parents so that it all coincides. Molly stated that we really do value the Room Parents and that the teachers really do appreciate the efforts. Natalie Campbell (Art Teacher) stated that she welcomes all parents of all grades. The more hands the better. Molly stated on behalf of the staff, Thank You for the Back to School Luncheon. Thank you Alyson Whitaker and the parents and community.

#### E. Key Business

1. **Back to School Night-** (Lisa Ball) Teachers have a lot to cover that evening, the CC will have a table set up regarding what we do and upcoming events. 4-8 is at 6pm K-3 is at 6:45pm.
2. **Ice Cream Social-** (Lisa Ball and Lorrie Ballard) This Sunday there will be a table set up for eScrip sign-up. Mr. Ferrera's band, Soma Holiday, will be playing at the Ice Cream Social. The social is set up from 2-4 and Soma Holiday will be playing from 2:30 – 3:30. The volleyball net will be set up. The event will be at the track, and you may want to bring a canopy or umbrella. Lorrie needs a couple volunteers to help with the event.
3. **Book Fair-** (Denise Romo) September 27<sup>th</sup>. It's a great way to volunteer and meet all the kids. It's an Egyptian theme. Jooners will be going out.
4. **Walk A Thon-** (Kindra Mendall) October 4<sup>th</sup> is our 21<sup>st</sup> Walk A Thon. This year the theme is "Rock the Walk." The shirt can be seen on our website. Students will have their shirts prior to the event and can wear these shirts on Spirit Fridays at school. There are 2 ways to support the event – your business/group can sponsor the event OR you can get pledges. Sponsorship forms need to be turned in by September 13<sup>th</sup>. If the female students want a fitted shirt, they need to get adult sizes. Adults can get shirts at a discounted price once funding responsibility for your child has been met. On the day of

the event, all parents are welcome and many walk with their students. There's a spirit rally followed by about an hour of walking. There will be activity stations and refreshments that are aligned with the theme. The hose-down by the Fire Fighters will end the day. There are prizes for top walkers and top fundraisers. Fundraising goal is \$30,000. Our goal is for each student to raise \$300. Can be done in installments. Checks or Credit Cards are accepted (CC prefers checks).

5. **Budget 2013-2014-** (Lisa Ball and Alyson Whitaker) We need to establish a Budget Committee. If you'd like to participate on committee let Alyson Whitaker know. We look at our past spending and the needs of the school and students. This past year, we spent \$20,000 on our computer lab. It's a fun process and a way to have a say on how/where money is spent. We'll have a meeting in September prior to October's CC meeting.
  6. **Santa's Secret Shop- (Sharon Morris)** Providing a shop to purchase inexpensive gifts for family, friends. Runs a couple days in December and will be stocked with lots of items for our students. Lisa stated that this is a great event for the students. They get to practice being good citizens, budget their money, etc.
  7. **Teacher Discretionary Funding Update-** (see Treasurer's report)
  8. **Volunteer Outreach-** (Kindra Mendall) (see Volunteer Coordinator's report)
- F. Updates
1. **Technology Committee-** (Kindra Mendall) (nothing to report)
- G. Announcements and Thank Yous- Sharon Morris stated that the community is putting together a fundraiser for our military at Wentz and would love for our community to display some of the flyers advertising the event. Money is hoping to be raised for ParaMobils. Michelle Flanagan is heading the Recycle Fridays this year. It is going to be the last Friday of every month at drop off. Each leading class of recyclers gets recognized and help is always appreciated. A community member delivers the recyclables to the Recycle Center. You can drop items off at The Little Brown Church in their bin or directly to TriCed for Sunol Glen.

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

Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013.