

Our Sequoia Community

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MINUTES - Friday, August 26, 2016

Lisa Kanarish called the meeting to order at 9:00am

Executive Board Officers in attendance: Lisa Kanarish, Lara Vineyard, Shannon Myers, Jackie Wolheim, Laura Seligson, Vanessa Lord, Beth Scarborough, Courtney Odden

Total Attendance: 34

Principal Report: Ms. Leiper welcomed all. Encourages parent involvement, happy to see such a full room, thanks for being here. Hired 6 new teachers for this year. Theme on campus this year is "Be a Superhero to Each Child." New Chrome Books delivered to 1st and 2nd grades. Keep up the fundraising. Rosetta Stone to be done twice a week at school. Only school in district using Rosetta and offering multiple language choice to students. Organic garden is up and ready to go. Need someone (teacher) to oversee the garden. Parking lot only problem on campus. Need to follow rules for safety of the children. Discussion of incentivizing parents to let kids walk or bike to school. Other ways to improve parking lot flow. New superintendent is in place. Mrs Payne, gifted specialist now full time.

Vote: Lisa Kanarish moved to approve the minutes from the General Meeting held on May 6, 2016; Shannon Myers motion, Laura Vineyard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Silent Auction: Jessica Kreuser reports lots of donations coming in. Needs people to help approach more businesses. Will be using Give Smart again. Auction to be November 18. Donations due end of October.

Fundraising: Courtney Odden - Fundraising 101 Fact sheet passed out. \$70-80k annual goal to meet budget. More than that goes to Chrome Books, extra supplies for specials teachers. 3 major fundraisers Fall Giving, baskets/auction and Apex. Fall giving \$13,000 so far, need \$22k, goal \$25k. 109 families have given to date. Fall giving campaign goes until 9/15. In good shape to meet goal.

Stallion Bucks: Laura Seligson - Explained the program

President Report: Lisa Kanarish - **Western Roundup** coming up in Oct. Joy O'Day and Melissa Hatten volunteered to take on lead role. **Angel Tree** will be run by Jen Cordelli. Gifts go to Bethune Elem title 1 in Phx. Gifts will be \$20-\$25 each. **Health screening** will be on picture day, Sept 15. Jenn Nuara helping nurse Mary. Need volunteers. **Directory** will be imported and available soon. **Spirit wear** going online. Order year round instead of only at events. Whitney Hubbard in charge of spirit wear.

Volunteer needs: all room parents filled, Western Roundup now filled, Art Masterpiece ok, Yearbook ok. Veronica Leon in charge of school yearbook. Organic Garden, Angie Bales working on getting grants, money to buy seeds. Bond/override coming up on ballot. Explanatory flyer and bond fact sheet available handouts. Next meeting Sept 30, 2016.

Talent Show: Jackie Wolheim - tryouts next week. Need to make sure kids actually have an act. Talent Show to be held on Sept 30, 2016. Ms. Hilliker will be M.C. May also get a couple of 4th or 5th graders to co-MC. Need night of volunteers.

New Family BBQ: Angie Bales - Sign up Genius going out soon.

Communications: Lara Vineyard, 190 families filled out BTS. Sept 15 deadline. Dads group coming together, over 35 interested so far. Sept 23rd dad gathering at Macayo. Rosetta Stone hasn't officially started yet on campus.

Treasurer: Shannon Myers - Fall Book Fair money usually taken in Scholastic Dollars, maybe this year take the money and use for Chrome Books. Box top money could also go to Chrome Books.

Community Relations: Vanessa Lord - family nights planned out for the year, about once a month. 20/30% proceeds back to school.

New business: Kate Carnahan reminded parents to give old clothes to nurse Mary for kids who have accidents, useable shoes to

Mrs Terri Lee for when kids forget to wear athletic shoes on PE day.

Lisa Kanarish explained KIN (kids in need) program, helps Sequoya kids who need food, other basic needs. Donations should go to Nurse Mary.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33am