

Family-Faculty Connection (FFC) General Monthly Meeting

March 11, 2026

Attendees: Christina Liu, Nesra Senol, Rukmini Bedi, Dusty Pedrotti, Linea Miller, Sandra Atkinson, Kelly Cortese, Joe Marsella, Amy Boelzle, Jessica Craig-Huyhn, Mayumi Caalman, Ely Exner, Eunice Manzano, Laura Chadez, Dora Rowe, Blaine Sheppard, N. Martinez, Dollty Zhu, Adrienne Asdal, Karthika Ramesh, Shrinithi Kumar, Sinead, Katarina Mansir, Dolly Zsu

- I. Call to Order: 6:30pm

- II. Approval and/or Correction of Minutes
 - A. February 2026 General FFC Meeting
Correction/Discussion - none
Motion to Approve - Rukmini
Second - Dora
Minutes are approved.

- III. Administration Reports
 - A. Mr. Pedrotti
Thankful for FFC
Kicking off Tiger Trot and Spring Carnival
Enrollment has started at Dingeman – we've received 75 names for Choice Program so far. Have had two school tours and families are impressed.

 - B. Ms. Miller
Open house is coming up.
In the middle of OPAC testing for students who are second language speakers.
New safety patrols have been chosen. Over 50 kids applied and a difficult process to pick. First meeting of those chosen for Safety Patrol will be on Thursday with current officer. Our current assigned officer has put her name in to allow us to compete for the northeastern division.

Mr. Pedrotti – a big thank you to Mrs. Miller for taking over Safety Patrol! She has set the standard for Safety Patrol programs.

- IV. Staff Reports
 - A. Mr. Joe
Nothing to report

- B. Ms. Boelzle
Working on Tiger Trot logistics – scanners, etc.
- C. Mrs. Asdal
Reports that she has received her 34th cultural doll back from her students!
FFC – thank you for help with field trips.

V. Officer Reports

- A. President – Christina

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Scripps Ranch School Committee looking for board members.

Please send any announcements to circulate during the following week by Thursday of the week previous.

For those who want to post on social media, email Angela, giving 24-48 hrs notice (socialmedia@dingemant.net).

Anyone wanting to post on the website, contact Dora via email, giving at least 3 business days. (EastBayArtWorks@gmail.com)

- B. Vice President – Nesra

No report

- C. Treasurer – Rukmini

Starting Checking Balance as of February 1, 2026 - \$291,503.51

Ending Checking Balance as of February 28, 2026 - \$283,590.23

Savings account as of February 28, 2026 - \$30,580.07

Total Assets - \$314,170.03

Total February Deposits - \$4,144.27

Total February Expenditures - \$13,057.55

If anyone has questions about how much left in budget line, email Rukmini directly.

VI. Standing Committee Reports

- A. EAR – Jessica

Looking forward to student book reviews coming in.

Correction – KLAG news coverage for book reviews will not be possible this year; but, possibly next year.

Coffee chat occurred during the end of February with another possibly scheduled for after Spring Break.

Mr. Pedrotti - thank you for partnering for Read Across America last week.

B. Tiger Art Academy – Sandra

Kickoff for the Art Show was on February 27.

Tiger Art week is the week of March 23rd.

Working with Mr. Saguil/Mrs. Harris on scheduling the MPR for Art Show

Set up planned for morning of March 23rd.

Docent and Teacher sign up are filling up.

Social media for Tiger Art week will be going out soon.

Lots of planned events during the evening of the Tiger Art show- food trucks and performance by Honor Choir, and scavenger hunt using stickers.

Theme of the Tiger Art Show – Georgia O’Keefe

C. STEAM - Kelly

Spring STEAM challenge is now available.

Some devices, particularly the Ozobots are aging out and experiencing issues with batteries. Lifespan is about 3 years and we are at year 6. Either replace batteries over the summer or replace with new devices. Budget is a concern since other devices (Dashes) will be ageing out also. Replacement cost for Ozobots is about \$4000; battery replacement is \$10/\$15 but time intensive to replace.

Christina is interested to know – do teachers want to keep working with Ozobots or should it be replaced with newer technology? What would be better supplement of curriculum? Suggest reaching out to teachers for their suggestions.

Karthika – leave decision to Kelly and teachers. However, Ozobots are very kid friendly. Issue is that someone needs to maintain the devices, which cannot just be Kelly and Gregg. We need someone to step up and be the one to take care of

the devices – someone with device knowledge to trouble shoot each particular device.

Mr. Pedrotti – next step is to have a further in-depth STEAM committee meeting and get teacher and parent input.

Ms. Asdal – volunteers herself to reach out to grade level reps to come up with additional input.

D. Yearbook – Laura

To date, 318 yearbooks have been set aside.

Yearbooks are still for sale. Targeted communications will be sent out to those who have asked for yearbooks but have not yet purchased one.

Hidden Tigers – received from 10 classes. She will start choosing.

Yearbook is underway and getting closer to wrap up. Classroom volunteers have started creating collages and the cover is done.

Need school groups pictures – she will contact Mr. Pedrotti.

Teacher pictures are still needed. Mr. Pedrotti will send some in and contact teachers for more.

E. Cultural Committee – Rola could not attend but provided the following report:

We're currently collecting the cultural paper dolls. The final day to return them is March 17 (next week). It looks like most teachers are planning to keep them in their classrooms for Open House.

We've also started receiving requests for Spring Festival performances and booths, so those are starting to come in.

F. Box Tops – Mayumi

We have raised \$822 since June!

G. Family Dinner Night – Anne could not attend but provided the following report:

We made \$200.67 at the Panda Express FDN

The next FDN is scheduled for Thursday, March 12th at Mendocino Farms

H. Spirit Gear – Ely

Scheduling a sale on March 20th in the morning at the white top. We hope to encourage any students who have not yet done so to purchase a shirt for the Tiger Trot.

VII. Special Committee Reports

A. 5th grade Committee report – none

B. Tiger Trot - Eunice

Kick off Tiger Trot event last Friday.

We met our first incentive – kids will have Pajama Day on Friday.

\$7915 reached to date!

Incentive for otter pop closing today.

Next incentive is pizza party.

Tiger Trot FundHub Registration Sign up here:

https://www.getmovinfundhub.com/register?school_uuid=67ab2c7999a3c

VIII. Old Business

None

IX. New Business –

A. FFC Board Nominations – Rukmini, Chairperson

The following have been nominated for the FFC Board for the 2026-2027 school year:

(1) President

Claudine Ricanor

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(2) Vice President

Nesra Senol

nesraongoren@gmail.com

(3) VP of Fundraising

Sandra Atkinson

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(4) Secretary
Sinead Scott
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(5) Treasurer
Rukmini Bedi
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(6) Auditor
Katarina Mansir
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(7) Deposits Secretary
Dolly Zhu
dolly20990@gmail.com

Elections will take place at the next board meeting.

B. Spring Carnival – Claudine

Starting planning for Worlds Fair/Spring Carnival.

Scheduled for Friday, April 17

Communication will be starting to go out.

Looking for volunteers to join the planning committee. Naree – vendors, Rola – cultural booths, and Nesra will oversee volunteers.

Similar format as previous years – games, activities, cultural booths, etc.

Hoping to implement the upcoming World Cup into the fair.

Performances will be determined by how many volunteer – if too many, chosen by lottery.

X. Announcements

None

XI. Adjournment

7:29 p.m.

*Next FFC meeting: April 8, 2026 at 6:30 pm on Microsoft Teams

(Executive Board Elections)*