

Family-Faculty Connection (FFC) General Monthly Meeting: December 11, 2024

Agenda

- I. Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.

- II. Approval and/or Correction of November 13, 2024 Draft Minutes
Motion to approve - Sandra; Second by Mr. Joe
Motion passes.

- III. Administration & Staff Reports
 - A. Mr. Pedrotti –
Lots happening this year; he is appreciative of FFC and families for all they do.
In January meeting he will talk more about the budget. Due to budget cuts, there will be impact felt at the school level he is unsure what the exact budget numbers will be; there is a process to assess what is important to have in the classroom; he is asking the parents for input they feel is important.
On January 21 he expects to receive the budget numbers, and need to have allocated by January 31st.
Deficit expected to be in the next couple of years.
Hopefully won't have to touch staff or programs

 - B. Ms. Miller – nothing to report
 - C. Ms. Becker - nothing to report
 - D. Ms. Boelzle - nothing to report
 - E. Mr. Joe - nothing to report
 - F. Ms. Harris – can teachers check out iPads? Yes – block off a time

- IV. FFC Board Officer Reports
 - A. Treasurer-Katarina Mansir

Financial Overview for November 2024			
Starting Balance as of Nov 1 (checking)			\$222,969.91
Ending Balance as of Nov 29 (checking)			\$230,584.56
Savings account as of Nov 29			\$30,572.56
		Total assets	\$253,542.47

November Deposits

11/1/2024	ACH	Level Up*	After School Enrichment	\$3,364.04
11/6/2024	ACH	Qualcomm	Corporate Match	\$850.00
11/22/2024	Deposit	Deposit - cash sales	Scholastic Book Fair	\$8,178.42
11/22/2024	Deposit	Jing Institute	Corporate Sponsorship	\$500.00
11/22/2024	Deposit	Cash - deposit	Fall Festival	\$35.00
11/22/2024	Deposit	Cash - deposit	5th Grade Committee - book fair evening sales	\$366.00
11/25/2024	Square	Book Fair evening sales	5th Grade Committee	\$426.93
		Total Deposited		\$13,720.39
* - Total is the combination of two transactions, one deposit for \$4489.04 and one withdrawal for \$1125.00				

November Expenditures

11/4/2024	KL	Classroom Reimburse	5th Grade	\$500.00
11/4/2024	DL	Classroom Reimburse	Kinder	\$321.61
11/4/2024	CM	Pledge Magnets	Pledge Drive	\$449.34
11/4/2024	CR	Fall Festival Vendors and costs	Fall Festival (Fall Family Fun Night)	\$1,897.76
11/12/2024	NS	Supplies	Tiger Art Academy	\$266.64
11/12/2024	D of J	FFC annual taxes	FFC operations	\$75.00
11/15/2024	JCH	supplies	EAR	\$92.55

11/18/2024	DL	toe tokens	Grade Level - Kinder	\$105.34
11/18/2024	D of J	Raffle Fees - State of CA	FFC accounting and fees	\$30.00
11/22/2024	TC	Adaptive PE	Staff Reimbursement	\$143.27
11/22/2024	JM	PT	Staff Reimbursement	\$87.62
11/22/2024	KL	Classroom Reimburse	2nd Grade	\$500.00
		Total Expenditures		\$4,469.13

Proposed Budget Amendments:

There are three budget amendment proposals -

- Increase STEAM budget by \$3,575 to purchase 13 new iPads and cases (a class set) to allow for simultaneous/back-to-back STEAM lessons;
- Increase the PE budget by \$2,500 to purchase substantial new PE equipment and storage;
- Create Cultural Liaison Committee budget line of \$1,500 to purchase banners, posters and diverse books to acknowledge holidays celebrated by our diverse community, as well as a cultural doll campaign to occur in the Spring.

Motion to approve all the three budget amendments made by Sandra Atkinson; Motion seconded by Ms. Boelzle.

Motion to approve the budget amendments passes.

Sandra - Question re budget

Can we add a line item for November budget for annual sponsorships?

Katarina – line item added for budget sponsorship in Quickbooks actuals vs.budget; what is presented at the meeting is just a summary .

B. VP of Fundraising:

1. FFC Sponsorships-Sandra Atkinson

2 events completed to date with participation of sponsors.

8 sponsors yet to choose a school event to participate in.

V. Standing Committee Reports

A. Tiger Art Academy-Sandra Atkinson provided the report; Dora could not attend this meeting.

The Art Academy is going well.

One class does not have a parent rep but Sandra is providing the lessons for the class.

Parent workshop for next Art Academy lesson is scheduled for the last week of school before break.

Everyone is welcome to attend the workshops.

Dora would love feedback from teachers about the new curriculum.

Anticipating updating budget for art next year, particularly for purchasing new racks.

Supplies are good for now.

B. STEAM-Greg/Kelly Cortese

Anticipating purchasing a new set of iPads.

Used ewaste recycling event to get rid of old equipment

3D printers are getting a lot of use

- Kids used 3d printer to print out ornaments in Ms. Lee's class
- 3D printers integrated into the challenges and making their way into the classrooms

2nd set of challenges are available until February; the next set of challenges will be made available in March

Ms. Asdal's class did a STEAM class today.

C. EAR - Jessica Craig Huyhn

Jessica was absent and did not provide a report.

D. Yearbook- Eydie Strouse

Eydie was absent and did not provide a report.

E. Spirit Gear- Ely Exner

Last in person sale this Friday, December 13 from 8:15-8:30 a.m.

F. Family Dinner Night - Anne Dennis

November Family Dinner Night was at Habit Burger. Dingeman raised \$35.

G. Cultural - Rola Elkadi

Rola was not present but provided a report.

Banner for Happy Holidays has been received.

January 9th is the next committee meeting

Encourage everyone to attend committee meeting; starting off small but building momentum.

Lots of good feedback from presentation/introduction of committee from last Tiger Rally

H. Box Tops-Mayumi

Mayumi was not present and did not provide a report

VI. Special Committee Reports

A. Scholastic Book Fair-recap

The Book Fair was very successful.

There was over 16K in sales, over half was in cash (which meant lots of student purchases from classroom visits.

We earned over \$7K of scholastic dollars earned and Ms. DaVersa was able to select many new books using those dollars.

Ms. DaVersa also elected to take cash profits of about \$2,000 from the scholastic dollars so she can purchase new books that represent our cultural diversity of our community that are not available at Scholastic. She will use that money to purchase books from Amazon, Barnes and Noble, and other book stores.

All in all, it was a fantastic Book Fair Week and Winterfest Book Fair Night. It was made possible by the many volunteers, accommodating staff and generous families!

B. 5th Grade Committee-Katarina Mansir

Book fair evening went well – the 5th grade committee made about \$800 in profit from the cultural fair sale.

Popcorn fundraiser - \$5000 in profit made

E Waste recycling – made good money

Goodwill recycling is planned for next January

VII. Old Business

A. FFC Monthly Social-Sandra Atkinson

December's monthly social was the 2nd annual winter family social at Stonebridge Park, followed by Merritage scavenger hunt and then met at Public House fundraiser dinner (making about \$500 in cash to Dingeman) Looking for suggestion for January monthly social, possibly at Junction with date tbd

B. Toys for Tots Holiday Donation Drive- Christina Liu

Ends Friday; fire department will take the toys after the choir performance

VIII. New Business

A. Raffle Fundraiser planned; details tbd

IX. Announcements

*Next FFC meeting: January General FFC Monthly Meeting: January 8, 2025 at 6:30 pm on Microsoft Teams

X. Adjournment: 6:08 p.m.

Attendants

Kelly Cortese – VP

Greg Cortese – STEAM

Amy Boelzle – Teacher Member

Angela Sheppard – Social Media Chair

Blaine Sheppard – Legal Counsel

Sandra Atkinson – VP Fundraiser

Katarina Mansir – Treasurer

Dusty Pedrotti – Principal

Linnea Miller – Associate Principal

Joe Marsella – Teacher Rep
Adrienne Asdal – Teacher
Antonette Harris – Teacher
Sunultha Chintala – Parent
Rukmini Bedi – Parent
Ely Exner – Secretary
Christina Liu – President
Kimberly Kennelly - Auditor