



Monthly PFC Meeting Minutes October 5, 2016

A. Meeting Called to Order: 8:20am

1. Approval of Minutes: Dayana Kling, 2nd Lisa Dumke
2. Treasurer's Report – Jason Weilert
Reserves: \$203,030.70
Money Market: \$228,250.25
Checking: \$89,181.02
The balances are high right now because of the money coming in from Donor Drive
3. Hospitality – Lisa Dumke, Jennifer York
Jessica: thank you for the yummy food

B. Old Business

1. Donor Drive - Amy Gray and Susan Harrison
Amy: we are at 75% school participation
Napier and Yollis are already at 100% so both of those classes will get pizza parties (along with any other class that reaches 100% participation by Friday)
Close to 100% participation at this point are: Ross, Cioffi, Costantino, Ryan
Think we will be close to \$180,000 once the all the corporate matching donations come in.

Jessica: we extended a week b/c donations were slow coming in. And, we wanted to give more classes a chance to reach 100% participation.
2. Spirit Night at CHS
Brazell: it was fun! It was filled. It was better than last year. The kids loved cheering and being together. Mr. Dabach (previous music teacher at Chap, now at CHS) led us all in a song. Great night for community spirit.

Jessica: thanks to Deb for selling the spirit wear the day before. Every kid wearing Chap spirit wear got in free.
3. Restaurant Night and Community Cards – Laura Berlant, Desiree Terian
Thank you to the teachers who came out to read at Barnes and Noble for the first day of the book fair! The numbers are still rolling in from Commons Night.

Discount cards are all sold out!

Restaurant day this month is on Oct 19th at CPK. Sign up for Dough Rewards too.

Box Tops contest goes till the end of this week. Top 5 families each get a \$20 gift card to Golden Spoon. Winners will be announced at Fall Festival.

Reminders: Sign up for Ralphs and buy through our Amazon link

Brazell: I wonder if there is a way to do another Commons Night the same night as the Literally Healing event in December?

Discussion followed. Feedback was that it might be better to do another restaurant night there another time b/c it will be too hectic to have both events happening at the same time.

4. Movie Night – Kim Becker

Great success. Thank you all for participating and for helping.

The grounds crew was amazing. I really appreciate their support.

Brazell: sometimes people assume that because they are on school property it is ok to let their kids run free because they see them running free and playing on the yard during school time. However, we have supervision from staff during school time but we do not have staff supervision at events. It is up to each parent to supervise their kid at each event they are attending. I had to call some parents and take some kids home who were here alone.

DeeDee: people need to be more respectful about not leaving their trash. There was a lot of trash left after movie night ended.

Kim: I made notes about that for next year

Jessica: DeeDee, thank you for bringing that up. We can communicate that more next year ahead of the event.

Deb: it's hard to see when the movie is over, is there a light we can bring out?

Comment from a dad: it's hard to find your kids after the movie too b/c it is so dark and they might be sitting w/ another family.

Dayana: maybe there can be a clean-up contest after the movie ends next year?

5. Cub Wear – Deb Shapiro

We've sold over \$9,000 this year (last year we sold \$10,000 total). So, we are in really good shape so far!

I won't have new merchandise until December

Next big sale will be at the Holiday Boutique (Friday, December 2nd)

I'll do a sale in October too, there just won't be any new merchandise at that sale.

Jessica: you are killing it Deb!

C. New Business

1. International Walk to School Day & Red Ribbon Week – Maria Nicolacakis

Special shout out to Jen York. She organized everything with the city for Walk to School Day and she did an amazing job!

Jen: Everyone did a great job. The volunteers were amazing. Thank you all for waking up early.

Jessica: how did it compare to last year?

Jen: We probably handed out about 400 bags; but we haven't done the official count yet.

Red Ribbon week: last week in October before Halloween. We talk about making healthy choices and keeping ourselves safe. Hearts on the gate in previous years. Each student writes on one in class about how they are going to be healthy and stay safe.

Thought this year we could ask the teachers if they want to send it home as homework this year so it can spark a discussion between each student and their parent about making healthy choices.

Brazell: we had our leadership meeting yesterday. Erin Gourley is our liaison so you should talk to her.

The City of Calabasas can no longer fund the officer (spoke about alcohol, drugs, cyber safety, etc) who used to go to the 4th and 5th grade classes. The teachers in those grades feel like they need more direction regarding where to go with their students on these issues.

Maria: there is a national website the teachers can check out

Question from a meeting attendee: can that come out of the PFC budget?

Brazell: I would also want something with the younger grades too. I will have the older grades get in touch with you Maria.

Lampert: there is now going to be at least one teacher liaison for every PFC event.

Brazell: teachers have adjunct duties and this is one of those. And, the teachers want to get involved.

Maria: if anyone here has any sort of background professionally (for instance, psychology) and has some ideas, please reach out to me.

Brazell: by law I have to have a sexual harassment assembly for 4th and 5th graders. It is mostly about bullying. But, I have to explain what sexual harassment is.

2. Fall Festival – Meredith Sesser

It's in 18 days! I need 91 people to help me and I only have half of that number signed up as of now.

We've spent a lot of time making it better than previous years: In N Out Burger truck, Fresh Bros pizzas, snow cones, popcorn, a camp coming to do Minecraft booths, Camp Keystone coming to run a booth, getting a cooling tent.

Auction Baskets: they bring in a ton of money. We will be here, up on the stage of the MPR the Wednesday before wrapping baskets.

Maria: can 4th and 5th graders help run the booths?

Meredith: yes!

Ann: do you need bakers for the sweets walk?

Meredith: yes, we need 75 items (doesn't have to be cakes, can be any kind of sweets).

Lampert: Teacher liaison is Mr. Larkin

Hours of Fall Festival are 11am-4pm

Jessica: we will continue to push the sign-up genius and let's discuss the email address list being used. I might need to give you a different email address list.

Meredith: ticket sales are kind of complicated

There will be presale tickets (those who buy presale tickets will save money overall and get a better value). Presale tickets will be available for pick-up at the Fall Festival.

We will be selling presale tickets on campus on October 19, 20 and 21

Presale tickets will also be available for purchase on Pay4SchoolStuff starting on Sunday.

Presale tix: wristband \$40 for rides only (will go up to \$45 day of)

Ride Only pre-sale: \$2 each (will only need one of these "magic" tickets for each ride). Day of: ride tix cost \$.50, HOWEVER, each ride will require at least 5 tickets.

Jessica: this is the biggest volunteer event we have

3. UNICEF – Lisa Steinmetz

Not only does it help kids in need, it teaches your kids to be philanthropic. It's a great teaching moment for you kid. Really think about participating this year. I know there are some people who don't like to carry around the boxes; if that is the case, just write a check to UNICEF and give it to me.

We raised almost \$1,800 last year. This year my goal is \$2,000

Boxes will be sent to kids in classrooms.

Program explained.

4. Boys and Girls Club – Laura Moede

We just learned this week that the Boys & Girls Club of the Greater Conejo Valley just received a sizeable donation from the Dr. Richard Grossman Community Foundation. Our club is going to be renamed the Dr. Richard Grossman Community Foundation!! We got chosen because: we have a very large number of students but the smallest space. And, they were really impressed with our kinder club. We will have some sort of ceremony for our new club in the spring.

Every year we have the "Stand Up for Kids" gala and auction at the Four Seasons. I think all the tables are sold out; but, I can check.

Brazell: we are 50 years old this year. Ann, Jessica and I have been talking about what to do in the spring to celebrate. Maybe we can tie it in with the new club dedication?

Jessica: if anyone has any ideas please let us know. Maybe an alumni thing?

D. Special Guests: City Council Members David Shapiro & Alicia Weintraub

Jessica: the city provides the elementary schools with grants. We rely on those; so, thank you!

David: Alicia and I are the City Council Liaisons for the schools. Please contact us if you have any concerns, or something you want to share.

Alicia Weintraub: aweintraub@cityofcalabasas.com

David Shapiro: Dshapiro012512@gmail.com

Both of us have kids in the district.

In addition to the grant funds, the City provides the schools with:

Crossing guards

J-Team

Sheriffs on Campus

Walk to school day was fun. Always trying to come up with ways to get our kids to walk to school on a regular basis. If you have any ideas let us know.

Ballot item: Measure F. Relates to the property on Las Virgenes Road. Please vote. I won't tell you how to vote; but please vote. David: I support the City Council's decision because it is the least impactful to traffic. If the measure doesn't pass, something will be build there no matter what. And, whatever is build there will likely generate twice as much traffic as the hotel plan.

Alicia: we have to develop the property because it is owned by a private individual and it is zoned for commercial use. The Acorn just came out in support of this project. This project (hotel) will yield the least amount of traffic with the most amount of tax revenue.

Question: do you know what kind of hotel?

David: An Ayers hotel

Alicia: not necessarily Ayers, but something like it.

Alicia:

Pumpkin Festival next weekend

Flu Shot Clinic is on October 22nd from 8am until 12noon at Founders Hall

Sheriff's Open House at the Lost Hills Sheriff Station is on Saturday, November 5th

They'll show you the jail, there are helicopters

City of Calabasas Environmental Commission is having their contest for their calendar

We are trying to work on the traffic issues on the Mulholland Corridor. We are working with the City of Los Angeles to synchronize the lights to help. They have actually flown drones over the Mulholland Corridor to see if they can see something we are missing. They don't think it relates to the construction that was completed. We are meeting them next week to discuss. But, the reality is that there are a lot of schools in a small area.

Discussion of traffic by CHS.

Alicia: we are here to help

Brazell: we understand that our officer had to be cut for our 4th and 5th graders. But, is there a chance to get them for just that one week of Red Ribbon week?

Alicia and David: we think that is a great idea

David: email us about the fall festival or anything else and we can help get the information out. Send us a flyer too for our website.

E. Principal's Report

One important piece. I am concerned with our electronic Cub Corner because that is my main chance to communicate to parents. I am not sure if it is getting read. In my message on the Cub

Corner was information about our new report card informational meeting. The school district is going through the process of changing our report card. We are trying out the 1st draft. The meeting is on October 14th at 8:15am for training for the parents to understand the new report card.

We've asked each grade level if they want to try the new report card. I don't know which ones yet will do it.

It will be a big shift.

The new report card is more standards based.

The students will be more involved.

Lampert: I started last year with my 1st graders. The students are trying to "beat" their last number. We are individualizing their goals with this. All teachers are working hard to have each student have a reading goal. All students will also have a writing and math goal too.

Brazell: once they meet their goal, they set a new goal. Each student gets one on one time with their teacher to set a goal and make a strategy. In regards to the number, it isn't a competition amongst students.

Lisa Steinmetz: expressed concern that our PFC meeting is the same day and time as the AC Stelle one.

Brazell: we have discussed that. It's tough and we can continue to discuss it. However, we are bound by when the MPR is available (which is only on Wednesdays and Fridays) because it is always being used. And, the days when it is "available" it is pretty booked already.

Dee Dee: is there insurance for the Acers?

Brazell: there should be information about that on the Forward Learning website

F. Raffle Drawing #17 Delia Lopez-Sagezi

G. Meeting Adjourned: 9:25am

Minutes prepared by Carrie Slatoff, Recording Secretary