



Chaparral Parent Faculty Club Meeting Minutes December 4, 2019

Meeting Called to Order 8:17am

1. General Business

- a. Approval of Minutes (from Nov. 6 Meeting)
 - i. 1st: Lindsay Vaisman, 2nd: Julie Berkus
- b. Treasurer's Report
 - i. Checking: \$204,900.33
 - ii. Savings: \$318,796.13
 - iii. Reserves: \$263,358.69
- c. Hospitality Gratitude
 - i. Carie thanked Shani and Shirra.

2. Special Guests: Calabasas Mayor David Shapiro and Calabasas Mayor Pro Tem Alicia Weintraub

- a. Alicia noted that for the last year they have spent a lot of time addressing issues as a result of the Woolsey fire. They have invested a ton of energy working with the sheriff and fire. David and Alicia were on the task force with the county to look at all of the issues that came out of the fire. They just released the after action report and it basically gave what they already knew. There were not enough resources and not enough synchronized communication. As a city they have been trying to do a lot of things to respond to that. They had a consultant come in and do a training for city staff. If there is another emergency Calabasas is where you want to be. They have also done a lot of outreach to residents to make sure they are signed up for their emergency notifications. They send an emergency preparedness guide to all residents.
- b. Alicia said another issue that they have been working on is homelessness. Alicia noted they have developed a plan for a small city regarding homelessness. The goal is for people to get the help they need and also preserve safety within the community.
- c. Alicia noted that they are continuing to work on the wireless issues and how their is really bad cell phone service in Calabasas.
- d. Alicia said they revamped the city grant program. They are making it more equitable for all of the schools. They changed it so that each elementary school will be getting \$32,000 this year. The city wants to

know that the money is going to good use and she said that we do a good job doing that.

- e. Carrie thanked them for supporting us and said that we really appreciated them.
- f. Alicia said If you see bad drivers you should report them to STOPP . They send out letters and do follow ups.
- g. David noted that in addition to the support they give the PFC's they also provide funds to all of the schools in excess of one million dollars.
- h. David noted they passed women against gun violence, a gun safety ordinance. It is the first one in our region. It says that if you have a gun the requirement is to lock it up.
- i. David said the Wellness Preparedness Expo is this Saturday at the Civic Center 10-3.
- j. David noted that early next year new restaurants are opening. Tifa Chocolate and Gelato is opening next to Susie Cakes and Porta Via is opening where Green Leaf was. Off Las Virgenes Salsa and Beer is opening.
- k. David noted the city had their first celebration of veterans. They dedicated a Veterans garden at City Hall as a thank you to those who served and continue to serve. They had over 80 veterans come to the ribbon cutting.
- l. David said they started a Calabasas Mayor's Youth Council for Calabasas residents ages 14-21. They are going to get involved with politics for the city.
- m. Alicia said this Saturday, December 7th, at the Calabasas dog park they are doing photos with Santa. Also, in the morning there is breakfast with Santa at the Tennis and Swim Center.
- n. David noted that on December 11th there is the annual reorganization meeting for the city council. It is a meeting where David gets to say thank you and Alicia will be sworn in as Mayor.

3. New Business

- a. Holiday Boutique (Dec. 5 – tomorrow) – Sadie Novello
 - i. Sadie noted that the Holiday Boutique is tomorrow. She said they still need volunteers. They especially need people to help in the morning because more vendors are coming to set up tomorrow instead of today because of the rain.

- ii. Saddle said a bunch of parents have booths this year. There are a lot of clothing and jewelry.
- iii. Carrie thanked Sadie for working so hard. She has dedicated herself to this every year and they are super appreciative.
- iv. Sadie noted that people do not have to sign into the office to go to the boutique.
- b. Motor4Toys Drive/Car Show (Dec. 9 - Dec. 13) – Ben Abadian
 - i. Ben said the assembly was canceled today because of the rain. Hopefully it will be rescheduled for Friday.
 - ii. The toy drive is all next week. People can donate an unwrapped toy worth \$10 or more. Boxes to put toys in will be all around campus.
 - iii. Parents will be allowed to come on campus for the car show next Friday.
 - iv. Saddle suggested to put a box in front of the boutique in case people want to buy something to donate.
 - v. Carrie thanked Ben for working on this every year and said the kids look forward to giving to other kids and also love the car show.
- c. 12th Annual Online Auction (Feb. 23 – Mar. 1) – Allyson Watson
 - i. Allyson said they started inputting items yesterday. Inputting is where they take the items they have accumulated and put them into the Bidding for Good site.
 - ii. Allyson noted that they are lacking restaurant gift certificates and those always go for value or above value. She said if you have any connections to restaurants that would be awesome. She also said sports tickets would be great and any high end items, especially Hollywood related.
 - iii. They will start pushing the Chaparral parties in January.
 - iv. Carrie thanked Allyson and said everyone loves the auction and everyone knows how important it is.
- d. Variety Show 2019 (June 5 & 6)
 - i. Dee Dee was unable to attend the meeting so Carrie talked on her behalf.
 - ii. The Variety Show informational meeting for parents will be on December 12th at 8:15 in MPR. She will answer questions about what the variety show is, explain the process, give the dates for the show and discuss updated information for group leaders.
 - iii. There is going to be a mandatory group leader meeting in January because they have never had one. There was discussion about recording the meeting for those you can not make the meeting.
- e. Community Outreach Fundraising – Laura Berlant & Emily Stearn
 - i. Laura and Emily were unable to attend the meeting so Carrie spoke on their behalf.
 - ii. There is The Stand fundraiser on December 11th. 20% comes back to the Chaparral PFC.

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- a. Community Outreach Fundraising – Laura Berlant & Emily Stearn
 - i. Don't forget to use the Amazon link for Chaparral. If you need holiday cards we have special deals with minted, shutterfly and tiny prints. All of

the links are in the Cub Corner. Keep clipping box tops and turn in Aminci boxes.

- b. Book Fair Update – Stacy Dishlip & Jen Love
 - i. Carrie thanked Stacy and Jen and said they did an amazing job. She said everyone loves the book fair and the e wallet gave kids independence. She said they thought of all the details and Stacey made amazing signs that can be reused.
 - ii. Stacy thanked the volunteers and said it couldn't have happened without them. They thanked everyone for their support.
 - iii. Jen noted that they made over \$10,000 in scholastic dollars and over \$20,000 in gross sales. They think the e wallet really helped and she thinks the kids enjoyed coming in and picking out their own books.
 - iv. Mrs. Lampert said the teachers were happy with the variety of books. Mrs. Lampert had a fear that kids would buy things other than books so she told her kids they can only buy books and if they want other things they can come back with their parents.
 - v. Carrie noted they arranged for the Boys and Girls Club to come up one day.

5. Principal's Report

- a. Mrs. Brazell thanked Stacy and Jen for the book fair. She said it is amazing that we sold that many books and just think of those books in the kids hands. She said the teachers appreciate the opportunity to order things from the scholastic catalogue.
- b. Mrs. Lampert heard from a lot of teachers that parents were supportive at conferences and things ran smoothly. Teachers appreciated the input from parents.
- c. Mrs. Brazell said teachers are working to include kids in the conferences and have students lead them. The kids have to be in charge of their learning and that is a good way to start it.
- d. Mrs. Brazell said it is important to get the kids behind the toy drive and trying to get the kids to give. She always tried to have her kids spend their money or do a job at home to help pay for the toys. She always encourages people to do that.
- e. Mrs. Brazell noted that they had about 13 people at Ms. Mullenau's stress and anxiety meeting. She was able to give information about the difference between anxiety and stress. She gave techniques about mindfulness. Since it was a smaller group parents were able to share and talk about what they are dealing with. Teachers have a lot of experience and can share what has worked in the classroom. Mrs. Brazell would like to see us do more of these kind of meetings.

- f. Mrs. Brazell said in two weeks all of the grade level leads are going to a conference with Jo Boaler. She is from Stanford University and her specialty is mathematics. She believes that every person can be a mathematician. They are going to take that information and bring it to their in service day on January 27th.

6. Boys and Girls Club

- a. Stephanie was unable to attend the meeting so Carrie spoke on her behalf.
- b. The Chaparral Boys and Girls Club site will be closed for winter break so they can do some deep cleaning and professional development with the staff. Bay Laurel will be open and will have some of Chaparral's BGC staff. Families are encouraged and welcomed to please register online and reach out for any questions to clubchap@bgcconejo.org. She believes they will be showing Frozen 2 on one of the Camp days.
- c. Be on the look out for their Winter Enrichment schedule in the upcoming December Newsletter. They are excited to offer cooking, sports, violin, hip hop dance, video game design and robotics to name a few. Again, families are welcomed to reach out with questions.
- d. Stephanie was sorry to miss this meeting but thanked everyone for the wonderful job they are doing for this school. She hopes to see everyone before the Holiday break but if not she hopes everyone has an amazing time with family and friends.

7. Raffle Drawing #5 Ben Abadian

Meeting Adjourned 9:00am