

Boosters Town Hall Meeting

Thursday, January 9, 2025

Called to order at 6:00pm

Attended by Arianna White, Lynnette Duncan, Kandice Rose, Andrea Nielsen, Salem Sutton, Annie Zaks, Kati Leigh, Tasha Lopez, Harmony Harvell, Leonna Beccio, Priscilla Lowell

Admin

- Arianna motioned to approve previous meeting minutes, Lynnette seconded, all in favor

Treasurer's Update - Tasha

- Bank balance is \$16,121.20
 - Can pay Binkley outstanding \$2000
- Paint and Wine night has sold 19 tickets and raised \$475
- Arianna motioned to spend another \$500 on playground improvements, Kandice seconded, all in favor
- Upcoming tax bill due

Sound System – Lynnette & Tasha

- Harmony used site funds to just replace the old sound system
- Smaller Bose speaker can still be used for smaller events, front of school music mornings, etc.

Principal's Update - Harmony

- Youth Truth Survey time, deadline is the end of the month
 - 3rd through 6th graders take in class
 - One parent per household should fill out, staff will also fill out
 - Goal is feedback from families, staff, students, find out what matters to them
 - Surveys are unique to each school, can't see other school's surveys, but district can see all of them and take feedback into account
 - Results come in mid-February
- Assessments are being done the week of the 16th
 - Iready diagnostic, all students will take it
 - Star Reading, Lexia, Acadience for various grade levels
- 100th day of school on January 27th
- Chinese New Year
 - Potted branch from Winter Festival will go in gym, kids will write wishes to go on it
- Yearbook cover art winners will be announced tomorrow
 - Had 35 entries, 5 winners (front, back, 3 scattered throughout)
 - Yearbook Club is coming back with Mrs. Prosser so students can help work on yearbook
- UDL (Universal Design for Learning) team has an all-day conference on Monday, will present to RVUSD staff after
- Green Team – 1st through 3rd graders at last recess, work on picking up trash, etc., Priscilla reached out to A Call to Action (part of Santa Rosa Water Agency) and got a grant, will be getting a shed along with trash pick up tools, etc.

LCAP - Harmony

- Hilary Kjaer has asked for feedback
 - What is going well, what needs improvements
- Local Control Accountability Plan is a three-year plan that guides whole district, sites choose individual goals
 - Binkley goals: UDL, PBIS, Professional Learning Community (early release Monday teacher workdays)

SPAC - Lynnette

- Talked about LCAP
 - Focused mostly on instructional practices
 - Some parents don't like early Monday releases, some feel like it's not worth it to bring their kids for a partial day, issues about child care after
- PIQE (Parent Institute for Quality Education) 8 week series of classes (English on zoom, Spanish in person at Village), explaining why school is important, how to support students
- Fine Arts Day – district got a \$45k grant to bring back Fine Arts Day, each school site will get \$2500 (\$800 in materials and approximately \$100 per classroom to bring in artists)
 - Mrs. Beccio is helping coordinate (some money can go to a stipend)
 - Parent Alison has a list of artists and can help connect
 - Can put together a list of materials and Tahryn can order
 - Goal is to get artists to teach lessons
 - "Art" doesn't have to mean just visual arts, can include drama, dancing, singing, knitting
 - Annie Zaks will coordinate with Mrs. Beccio
 - April 17th

Paint/Wine Event – Andrea & Lynnette

- January 30 (Thursday but there's no school Friday), 6-8pm
- Donations:
 - Beer from Lagunitas, 2 cases
 - Wine from Andrea's husband and Mrs. Rastok's husband
 - Costco \$100 gift card that we can spend on charcuterie/snacks
 - Whole Foods might donate some food
- 19 tickets sold so far
- Auction Items:
 - Avid donated some coffee
 - Lynnette has reached out to other businesses

Budget Committee – Arianna & Priscilla

- Board said they would take surveys into account, decisions would come out in February
- March 15th is the deadline for staff layoffs so decisions will be made by then
- Ideas discussed at meeting were: reducing school nurses, reducing psychologists, reducing MLL (Multi Language Learners) support, moving Art Docent coordinator to Prop 28 money, charging for transportation, reducing Kinder aids (not legally required but in contract with Teachers Union), getting money from Oak Park property in some way, reducing or cutting district clerks, reducing work days (not necessarily teachers, Principals could work 2 fewer days per year, etc.), reducing night custodian hours

Playground Projects – Priscilla

- \$500 playground improvement allocated tonight going to:
 - Storage bench in TK yard
 - Fairy land astroturf and storage
- Cantilevered umbrella, large chalkboard, and wooden hut for K yard will be installed tomorrow
- New noon duty (to replace Mrs. Lantz who is now teaching Mrs. Yap's class) may be able to just focus on carts and clubs
- Cooperation with Mario Carillo students fell through for this year but Assistant Principal said it could happen in the fall
- Will be getting log or two from Children's Museum for kids to play on
- Need to get photos of what's been done so far so they can be pushed out with wishlist requests again

Read-A-Thon – Arianna & Lynnette

- Read Across America is March 2-6
- Kick off March 3, run through Spring Break, end March 21st, assembly on March 24th
- Prizes:
 - Divide school into four groups: TK & K, 1-2, 3-4, 5-6
 - Top earning student and top reading student in each group:
 - TK & K – children's museum passes from Priscilla
 - 1-2 – Principal for the day & lunch with principal
 - 3-4 – Librarian for the day & lunch with principal (librarian not available at lunch)
 - 5-6 – Counselor for the day & lunch with Mr. Gustavo
 - Class parties for top earning class and top reading class in each group (popcorn, popsicles, etc. per class choice)
 - \$25 Starbucks gift card for teacher in each group who logs the most minutes
 - Need to check that we can differentiate teacher logged minutes vs. parent logged
 - Every student who earns more than \$10 gets a piece of tape to tape the principal to the wall

Other Upcoming Events

- Boosters Rummage Sale, April 27
 - United Cerebral Palsy of the North Bay can pick up donations after the sale, Andrea will coordinate, if you fill the truck they give you \$500
- End of year Party/Dance, May 2nd
 - Same DJ, photo booth, luau/Hawaiian themed
- Field Day, June 4th
 - Can't do waterslides anymore, can use our slip and slides, bubble stuff
- Dine & Donates
 - Mary's Pizza Shack, January 15
 - Kona Ice, February 14, 3-4pm
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- Next meeting, February 13

Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm