

BANCROFT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - PARENT FACULTY CLUB (PFC)

MEETING MINUTES **FINAL**

February 8, 2022 7pm, Online Zoom Meeting

The meeting was called to order by PFC President Heather Salter at 7:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Heather Salter / President
Dory Barnard / VP Fundraising
Irina Rivera / VP Communications
Ben Nie / Treasurer
Cyndi Joly / Financial Secretary
Gail Strohl / Recording Secretary

Mrs. Dunn / Principal

OTHERS PRESENT

Agam Patel, Alice Burns, Alisa Kutsel, Asma Shaikh, Carrie Winchell, Catherine Beier, Cheroff Family, Christina Henricksen, David Barnard, Deanne Giffin, Diane Quinn, Emily Andrews, Eric Kyono, Jessica Hoversen, Jimena Picciano, Jodie Shikuma, Kathline Gomes, Maggie Rinow, Mary Anne Parker, Maya Greenwald, Melissa de Porras, Priscilla Angeles, Roma Villafania, Sandra Gonzalez, Sarah Rhodes, Stephanie Lee.

Welcome

- Heather Salter welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Prior Meeting Minutes

- January 2022 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Financial Report/Budget Update

- Ben Nie reported January 2022 financial results

Income: Dollar a day at 105%
Matching gifts at 69%
Walk-a-thon at 202%
Shop 4 Bancroft: Sports Basement \$2949, Kendra Scott \$140
Total income YTD: \$144K vs budget of \$137K (105%)

Expenses: Wrote checks for Q2 IA MDUSD invoice, birthday book invoices, teacher material funds, principal discretionary fund, misc. office funds
Total Expenses YTD: \$73K vs. budget of \$180K (41%)

Net Cash Available (01/31/22): \$282K

Cash Balance Jun 2022: \$143K assuming income goal met.

Remaining Strategic Funds: \$143K

There was a request to add \$2K to the teacher materials fund that was approved.

Faculty Reports

Ms. Parker Kindergarten and 1st Grade

- Kindergarten students are working on Valentine bug hats and talking about loving others & ourselves.
- 1st graders are creating compliment mats and Valentine's Day art activities. They are working on addition, subtraction and math games.
- Students are getting reading assessments. They are working on sight words with long vowel sounds.
- Learning about a rainbow of foods.
- Students loved the black and white art project with Ms. Alisa.

Ms. Andrews 2nd and 3rd Grade

- 2nd graders learned about a rainbow of foods.
- 2nd graders looking at a Valentine's Day writing project exchange program with other schools.
- 2nd grade learning about the Lunar New Year.
- Started working on reading assessments.
- 3rd graders made salsa.
- 3rd graders are working on area in math.

Mrs. Giffin 4th and 5th Grade

- 4th graders doing the Walk Through the American Revolution and the Walk Through California.
- 4th graders working on informative essay report.
- Nutrition lessons were great. They made salsa.
- Mrs. Burns writes responses in kids notebooks and students love it.
- 4th graders did a dragon eye art project.
- 5th grade is doing the Outdoor Ed program at the end of March.

Principal's Report

- Staffing Update--Looking for Instructional Aide. We will be losing one lunch supervisor soon and will be down to one. If you know of anyone who would like to work eight hours a week, please reach out. Diane Quinn is the new school secretary.
- Upcoming School Events--TWDI night is on February 15. School is closed February 18 and 21. Spring photos are March 1. Summer school will be at Bancroft this year.
- 5th Grade Outdoor Ed--There are some families still to finish paying on the Outdoor Ed program. There will be an Outdoor Ed info night soon. Valentine's Day grams and an Easter See's fundraiser will contribute to it. Mrs. Dunn mentioned that anything left over will be applied to next year. Sarah Rhodes said that in past years anything extra went towards other 5th grade activities such as the yearbook, etc. She mentioned maybe PFC could put some funds towards it.
- Covid response--Mrs. Dunn mentioned that the COVID-19 letters have changed due to a decline in numbers. The close contact letters will no longer be sent, the whole classroom will receive a letter.

Committee Reports

Budget Committee—Meeting March 22 at 7PM on Zoom. Proposed budget to bring back at the March 15 PFC meeting and then anticipate voting on it at the April 12 PFC meeting.

PAC Update—Sarah Rhodes mentioned the next meeting is February 15. There will be a facility and maintenance presentation.No update, meeting is next month.

Art Appreciation—Alisa Kutsel said that over 1,600 student art pieces have been uploaded to Artsonia. Parent help is appreciated, if interested please sign up. There will be an art show at Open House.

Fundraising/Auction—Dory Barnard mentioned that the online auction is March 3-11. Auction items are still being accepted.

Spring Book Fair/Bobcat Reading Challenge—Ms. Gomes said that sign-ups are available for the book fair. It supports books for classes and the library. March is National Reading Month. The reading challenge is March

1 to April 22. Books Help Us Bloom is the theme. There will be goodie bags.

Family Nights—There will be an outdoor movie night possibly March 11 and possibly also rock painting on that date for the kindness garden. There was a discussion on whether to do the rock painting on that night or not.

New Business

There was a discussion about the Speak Up Be Safe program offered by the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Contra Costa County. The Executive Director, Carol Carrillo, provided information about the program. It will be discussed at budget time. There is teacher training and parent training. Mrs. Dunn will follow up.

Sarah Rhodes mentioned the Kindness Project. It was started when Mrs. Schuler was there, shortly before the pandemic. There would be a “Every Kindness Begins with a Hello” mural with a rock riverbed. It is re-engaged at the district level. They are working with the district to get the area ready. Mrs. Giffin purchased some sample rocks and suggested students paint rocks during their STEAM rotation. It was mentioned maybe to do it during family night. Alisa Kutsel will trace out the mural. Volunteers will be needed to help paint the mural.

Meeting adjourned.