



PTO Meeting Minutes

Date | time November 14, 2017, 7:04 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Kristen Bulleri

In Attendance

Alyssa Garshol, Allison Rodacker, Aimee Holloway, Bonnie Sanders, Kelly Dohmann, Sienna Kulak, Jenny Ho, Kristin Bulleri, and Leah Kletnieks.

Approval of Minutes

Alyssa Garshol moved to approve the October 17, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Allison Rodacker. All voted in favor.

Agenda

1. Opening
2. Cooking with Kids Presentation
3. Reports
4. Old Business
5. New Business
6. Announcements
7. Adjournment

Cooking with Kids Presentation

Chef Lynda Rexroat – Executive Director

- Two 5-week courses to be held after school from 3:00-4:30 PM
 - K-3rd Grade: Fridays, Jan. 12 – Feb 9
 - 4th – 5th Grade: Fridays, Feb. 16 – March 16
- Kids will make two recipes each class. For each recipe, they will have a corresponding worksheet in which they will talk about the ingredients, where the food come from, where it is on the food pyramid, nutrition, shape, color, taste, and smell. They will also be discussing how to read labels, grocery shopping, kitchen safety and gardening. **The Goal is to teach healthy eating choices and independence.**
- At the end of the course, all kids will receive a cookbook with all the recipes they made as well as a seed packet to take home and grow their own vegetables.
- Cooking with Kids is a Non-Profit Organization that is driven by fundraising and grants.
- 10 Kids per class. Will require a Parent Volunteer/Aid. Scholarship will be given to the child of the Parent Volunteer.

Allison Rodacker motioned to approve Cooking with Kids as an After-School Enrichment Program. Motion was seconded by Alyssa Garshol. All in favor. Motion passed.

Reports

Principal's Report – Shari Johnston (Absent – Information provided by Kristin Bulleri)

- First parent seminar on Growth Mindset went well
- Solar panels – Blocked off another section of parking spaces which will re-open after thanksgiving. Construction scheduled to be completed by winter break.
- Halloween parade – Band needs to start playing earlier for parents/families while waiting for parade to begin. Mixed reviews on new picture location – A lot of confusion from parents who were unaware of new location and missed taking class pictures. However, it seemed to be more organized/less chaotic and the lighting was better for pictures.
- We are not getting a new play structure; rather old one will be repaired. District ordered new parts for play structure. Will be repaired before winter break.
- Report cards will be distributed 12/1/2017.
- Thankful for the PTO and looking forward to the Turkey Trot.

Teacher's Report – Kelly Dohmann (3rd -5th grade)

- Thank you for the Multi-Cultural event. It was a lot of fun and great food.

Teacher's Report – Bonnie Sanders (TK – 2nd grade)

- Teachers interested in using the garden during the spring. Could parents take groups of students?
 - Per Allison Rodacker – yes but they would need extra volunteer screening to be with students unsupervised which includes fingerprinting
 - Brooke would want to train anyone working in the garden

Treasurer's Report – Jenny Ho

- Family night out at Casa Orozco made about \$240.
- Multi-Cultural made \$1,338; However, performance budget hasn't been spent yet
- Livermore Lab gave \$2,500 for coding club/steam club
- Turkey Trot so far has made approximately \$2000
- Penny Wars made \$1380
- Makers Space has used \$3,605 of \$5000. \$1,365 remaining balance.

Old Business

- Multi-Cultural not a big money maker but great community event.
- Used Coin Star to count Penny War change because the bank was closed. They charge 11.9% but we made more money than our last penny wars.

New Business

- Makers space – Allison Rodacker
 - Ms. Dion put several requests on donors choose and is getting some matching.
 - Steam/Stem camps are starting next week
- After school programs – Sierra Kulak
 - Homework Club – sent out volunteer requests to high schools, middle schools, and girl scouts. Will sign up for volunteer match. High school/middle school can't start till after 3:30. The kids can have snack/play time after school and then homework club will run from 3:40:4:40 PM. Mrs. Dohmann and Mrs. Sanders will reach out to teachers to see if they would help with homework club – will need to be paid.
 - Tiffany's Dance Academy is not responding
 - Looking into Sunshine Dance/Cheer (they already have programs at Joe Mitchell)
 - Trying to find children's theater (Livermore high school, tri-valley repertory, bay area children's group – has restrictions)
- Turkey trot is on Wednesday, Nov. 15.
- Newsletter – Allison Rodacker
 - Informative – about PTO, what we raise money for, budget, upcoming events
 - 2nd week of December
- Ice Skating Family Night out Jan. 26 at Tri-Valley Ice from 6-9 pm
- Patxi's Family Night Out will be in February. Profits will be used to support 5th grade Science Camp.
- Last year we received anonymous donor who funded all donors choose requests. Encourage teachers to post all their requests just in case this happens again.
- Teachers can use their PTO funds toward their donors choose projects if there is a match

Announcements

- Spring Fundraiser meeting 11/28, location TBD
- Thanksgiving break next week, 11/20 – 11/24
- Holiday shop 12/11- 12/15

Adjournment

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, December 12, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 PM.

Submitted by Leah Kletnieks