

Manzanita Family Faculty Organization (FFO)

Meeting Agenda & Minutes

October 3, 2025 – 8:15am

Attendance:

Katy Skjerpning, Kaitlin Jones, Tom Logue, Jessica Papariella, Rachel Martin, Liz Farrugia, Kristin Michels, Heather Northey, Isabel Corres-Sohrab, Marci Petti, Rob Henikman, Bri Volpe, Brenna Rheinheimer

Welcome & Call to Order – 8:21 am-Bri Volpe

Approve Minutes

- 1st: Rachel Martin
- 2nd: Jessica Papariella
- All approved

Principal's Report – Rob Henikman

- High impact teaching strategies
 - focus on outcome/student achievement
 - evidence based instructional practice
 - setting clear goals, fostering collaboration, structured lessons, providing multiple exposure content, explicit teaching, utilize work examples, offer timely feedback
- Registration week this week!
 - people turn to the people they know to look for schools!

Mustang Bucks –

- Before winter break Kirk Gill sent a \$5,000 check for SEP!
- \$30,057 total!

Treasurer's Report -

- SEP spending/classroom spending
- Got invoice for 5th grade camp

Financials Approve: 1st Katie Skjerpeng, 2nd Marci Petti All Approve

Student Enrichment Program (SEP) -

- Lots of field trips! Kinder - zoo, 3rd - botanical garden, 5th - camp 3rd - bisbee/caverns - multi age still deciding on trips.

Volunteer Coordinator -

- Sign up for on-going stuff!
- Milers and games need volunteers!
- Year book - NEEDS PHOTOS!

Committee Reports

Community Schools -

- Can still register
- Rodeo, spring break camps to come
- March 4th 4th quarter
- Jan 15 child care for parent night!

Foundation Report -

- Successful Tapas for teachers \$12,00 in tickets \$18,00 from auction!
- Funds contribute to development of teachers/retirement/etc.
- Teacher of year May 3rd Hacenda Del Sol

Miler's Club -

- Need volunteers

Gardening – Julia Elitzer & Julia Insel

- 1st grade doing well. Possible sale jan 23
- Invested in Kumquat tree, but already have one out front!
- \$1,000 in donation for pavers!

Board games-

- Need volunteers

Book fair-

- Planned for March 6-13

Staff Appreciation –

- Lunch in Dec
- Breakfast in Jan -smoothies and pancakes

Spiritwear –

- No updates

Dineouts –

- Finis was rescheduled

Mustang Fun Run –

- Boosterthon to do fun-raising
- Jan. 6-19 event promotion
- Jan 20 official Kick off day morning announcements/parent square posts
- Jan 21-28 “program days” and progress updates in morning announcements
- Jan 29 Mustang run - k-1 8:30 MA, 2nd – 9:30, 4-5 10:30am
- Goal - 33,000
- Top 3 teachers get gift cards
- \$8,000 raised Otter pops for all
- \$16,000 raised Dress up as favorite character day

Valentine Hoedown-

- Info to come
- Feb 13 6-8 - pizza, snacks, rootbeer floats, glow bar, bandana, crafts, photo booth

Important Upcoming Dates

- 1/15 MZ parent night in library @ 6 pm
- 1/16 100th day of school!
- 1/19 MLK no school
- 1/21 no early release
- 1/29 staff appreciation pancake and smoothies
- 1/29 FUN RUN k-1 8:30am, multi/2 9:30, 4-5 10:30am
- 1/31 '26-'27 registration for CFSD due!
- 2/2 National School counselors recognition
- 2/6 Principals breakfast 4th grade 7:15am

Next FFO Meeting

Friday, Feb. 6 2026 – 8:15am

Meeting adjourned 9:50am