

**Hooker Oak School PTO
Meeting Minutes – October 21, 2021**

Meeting Called to Order at 5:37 pm by Denee Coultas

I. Welcome and Introductions

In attendance: Denee Coultas, Aram, Heather Waddle, Sarah Van Hout, Emily Mullins, Melissa Rose, Olivia Wilson, Becca Hansen, Ilene, Margaret Ricketts, Andrea Duffy, Tessa Mayhem, Bree S (Music Teacher), Megan Groody, Stacy Calderon, Maya (Student Teacher), Amy, Keri, Audrey Baughey, Jillian, Lilly

II. Appreciations

- Heather Waddle: Melissa's efforts for Treasure Island rehearsals and Olivia, the director
- Melissa: Nicole and Sarah for a huge Jog-A-Thon success
- Cheryl Hubbard for stocking the Little Free Library
- Running Club enjoyed by kids

III. Action Items

- Melissa motioned the funding of an additional \$500 for Royal Dance Academy to increase budget from \$4,500 to \$5,000. Sarah second, motion passed unanimously
- Tessa motioned to approve field trip disbursements \$32.90/student for a total of \$10,200 with remaining funding of \$3,500 (\$11.29/student) available for later needs. Denee second, motion passed unanimously

IV. Principal Report:

- There is a positive buzz due to play production returning and the coordinating music portion
- The first trimester ends November 5
- Minimum days following Veterans day with 11:35 am dismissals, no lunch period provided
- No school Nov 12
- The October 15 requirement is in place for staff and volunteers to have proof of the COVID-19 vaccine on file or to have weekly COVID-19 testing. Testing is available from 1:00-4:30pm on Tuesdays at Hooker Oak with an estimated 15 minute results turnaround. The District is looking to add students for modified quarantine and eventually parents to be available to have access to the testing at a convenient location.
- Spectators can come to outdoor events during school hours if in separate, designated area, which is being considered for the Halloween parade
- More outdoor tables have been delivered
- Enrollment is at 310 students
- TK/Kinder Faire Tues Nov 9, 5:30-7:00pm at Neal Dow Elementary
- Little Free Library up and running courtesy of Chico Sunrise Rotary
- Square Deal Mattress has spare upholstery available

V. Teacher Report

- Rickets/Calderon: Fun and funny crickets! ABC Bootcamp fashion show was a success and curriculum themes of pumpkins, apples, and bats has followed. Students had a virtual field trip to the pumpkin patch. SEL lessons coming to classes, music on alternating weeks and Wednesday sing has been continuing.

VI. PTO Committee Report

- *Co-Moderator* – n/a
- *Events/Fundraising*:
 - o Jog-a-thon: Went very well; lots of help and excitement. Approximately \$27,000 raised. Students should provide prize ordering size to teachers.
 - o Scoop & Serenade: Planning for a Friday in April, TBD. Bree to start pulling performance plan together.
 - o Spring Fling: No updates
 - o Fall gear order: November 10 deadline to order either via paper order forms (which have been distributed) or online.
 - o Meal fundraisers: MOD fundraiser generated \$189, November will be T-Bar, tentatively, and December will be Nothing Bundt Cakes; taking suggestions for January
- *Corporate Liaison* – n/a
- *Publicity* – PTO contact list updated
- *Arts* – Fall performance has been approved to have three live performances scheduled for Dec 10-12. There are 71 cast members and drops should be before 10/29. Help will be needed on Saturday, October 23, for Green Room clean-up.
- *Parent Volunteer Coordinator* – n/a
- *Green Team* – The workday has been canceled due to rain with hopes to reschedule. CA Fertilizer Foundation grant application in progress. Tree work has been scheduled. Committee is developing lessons for teachers so there are easy teachable connections and they do not have to develop plans themselves.
- *Treasurer* – Position still needs to be fulfilled. See attached for budget reports.

VII. Classroom Reps –

- 1st Grade – Ms. Jennifer’s class, Tessa reporting – Modified mixer (swapping teachers) with a treasure hunt, treasure activity, and making their own treasure maps
- 2nd Grade – Ms. Bree’s class, Heather reporting – independent check-ins have been possible because literary/math stations are going so smoothly, museum of items 90-100 years old to come
- 3rd Grade, Ms. Denise’s class – American symbols, developing presentations, weekly interest sharing on Fridays, end of the semester writing piece
- 5th Grade, Ms. Katie’s class, Aram reporting – unable to connect
- 4th Grade, Mr. D’s class, Amy reporting – Mission possible, helping create learning opportunities for younger acorns

- 5th Grade, Ms. Beth's class – Judge day, field trip was scheduled for Oct. 22 but rain has caused rescheduling to Nov 5, interactive boards museum, community service project for art grant (\$250) "Gran-buddies" underway
- 3rd Grade, Ms. Tracie's class, Becca reporting – Cursive lettering, force in motion and magnets, leveled reading groups, American symbols
- 3rd Grade, Ms. Michelle – Similar to other 3rd grade classes, monster house crafts
- 4th Grade, Ms. Melinda's class, Jillian reporting – Salt dough maps of CA finished, Native people of CA, learning about eyes

VIII. Old Business – None

IX. New Business – Polo shirts for teachers/staff order to be voted on next month

X. Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 pm

Next meeting Thursday, November 18, 2021, from 5:30-7:30pm