

Friends of Dunbar School Parent Teacher Organization (FODSPTO)
APPROVED minutes from meeting 12/1/11

In Attendance:

Alissa Pearce *

Melanie Blake

Shannon Lee *

Cathy Barbagelata *

Joanna Greenslade *

Joelynn McIntosh

Dawn McIntyre

*= approved minutes

Handouts: Meeting agenda, treasurer's report

Alissa/Dawn: called to order at 2:45

Principal's Report: (Melanie) Solar project update: I'm presenting to all of my groups regarding this project. Our facilities committee approved our solar plan based on a plan by the district that included a promise to re-asphalt the blacktop. Now, it seems, that regarding the blacktop... the 1st option is a 2 inch 're-surfacing' and the 2nd option is some sort of slurry that I'm not sure what that is? Very concerned about these not matching the promise. I brought this up to the liason on site while the sub-contractors were present. I asked for a copy of the contract and they would not let me make a copy at that time. They promised me a copy via email – I told them I had a meeting today with my PTO. As of now I don't have such an email and a contract to share with you. I will be in discussion with the district and will keep you updated.

Teacher's Report: Karen and Renea at training...not able to be here.

Treasurer's Report: (Joanna) handout – outlined details and current balance - \$12,197.69 of which \$7,501.42 is 'available' for spending (i.e. not already allocated). One change on the report is that Rosanne is asking for the potential for \$500 expense for Pixie Corner. Some garden expenses are offset by private 'targeted' donation and outside compensation from SVEF. Community fundraising letter has gone out – hoping for some response with donations included! If you would like a copy of the treasurer's report, please contact Joanna at joannagreenslade@yahoo.com

Proposed Budget (expenses) – from January through beginning of June 2012

Garden: \$2,000

Science: \$3,000

Events (father-daughter/mother-son/teacher appreciation/student brunch): \$450

TOTAL: \$5,450

with the following caveats:

- we are actually holding back an additional \$750 for garden IN CASE the funds from SVEF do not come through
- if the stated categories are not fully spent, they would be earmarked as such for the academic year – 2012-2013
- with discussion in spring about possibly adding a second set of teacher gratuity checks at the end of the year

Old/Past Business:

Game Night- went really well.... So much fun. We passed out 41 raffle tickets (which go only to the kids) so AT least 80 people were there total. \$107 profit. The second one will be STAR night in the spring, which is run by the school but not PTO.

New/Upcoming Business:

Access to the shed? – we are concerned about not having simple access to this via a key check out on a weekend. It may be that the lock needs to be changed for safety/security. We can buy a lock and have 6 copies so that each board member AND the front office can have a key.

Pixie Corner- (Rosanne) – Mon Dec. 19th- Wed. 21st, 8:30-2pm in room #16. Needs volunteers to make crafts and help on the days of. Please contact Rosanne at rgoertzen@sonomavly.k12.ca.us OR call 849-8329

Indoor Movie Night- (Dawn/Jen/Alissa/Shannon/Joanna) – Sat. Jan. 28th in the MPR. Open at 5pm, 5:45 pm movie start time. Ballots will go out to classrooms ASAP – first the PTO board will come up with a list of 4 possible movies. We will announce the movie winner BEFORE school lets out for the holiday. The take-home flier will need to go out mid-January, we already have the translation. Hot dogs (\$2), chili (\$1), popcorn (\$.50), waters (\$1), fruit (\$.50), veggies (\$.50), and desserts (\$.50). Everyone should bring blankets and short 'picnic' chairs. PTO needs to ruffle up several raffle items!?

Father/Daughter Dance- (Joelynn) –Saturday February 25th 6-8pm. Wanting to change the theme on a rotation- this year Hawaiian (next year Valentine, the following Mardi Gras)- that way we can just rotate through decorations! Need parents to make food-donated and we can buy supplies if needed – pasta?? Would like to use the same DJ as last year. Maybe Jen D. would be willing to do the photos this year? Or maybe Mike W.? Need help to decorate Saturday morning and a clean up crew for right after. Need a flier and tp get it translated. Flier needs to go out the 1st week of Feb. Invitations a little later. \$20 per couple (suggested donation). Maybe we'll also have a 'surf/wave/beach' movie looping on the big screen.

Mother/Son Event- (Joanna) let's wait on discussing this until Jan. meeting

Art Auction in spring? Yes or no? – now that we have a connection with the Art House we should explore this more → talk about wine ‘tasting’ – cheese and crackers – Dunbar art for sale and ‘show’. Discussion of Jen D’s idea of art card packets as a fundraiser- we really want to go with this both as a targeted fundraiser that goes to individual students AND bundled samples of ‘Dunbar’s Art’ to be sold at various events.

VOTING: Alissa and Shannon have abstained from the voting/final discussion of the budget.

ACTION ITEM: See proposed budget and caveats above.

Motion to Approve: Dawn McIntyre

Second: Joanna Greenslade

Approved by unanimous show of hands.

Reminders:

Next Scoop night is – Dec. 21st 4-9pm , if you want to help scoop, contact Dawn at dawniemac6@gmail.com

NEXT FODS-PTO MEETING: Thursday Jan. 12th, 2:45pm in library

Meeting brought to a close at 5pm

minutes prepared by Shannon Lee, FODSPTO secretary