

Path Meeting 10/18/16

Board Members Present

President, Sumi Alhadeff

1st VP –Funds 4R Future, Durre Rizvi-Syed- Absent

1st VP – Corporate Sponsorship, Matt Wildstein- Absent

2nd VP- Fundraising, Joyce Almazan

3rd VP/Hospitality – Christina Nava-Perez-Absent

Safety Coordinator, Maria Ebenhoch

Treasurer – Linda Grigorian

Enrichment Coordinator – Patrick Perez

Room Parent Coordinator/Secretary – Kelli Chilingarian - Absent

Digital Communications – Deepak

5th Grade Coordinators – Diana Juarez and Janice Nardela

Principal – Victoria Littlejohn

Teacher Representative – Donna Blankenship

Board Members absent –3

Quorum Present – No

Meeting called to order at 8:46 am.

Joyce Almazan made a motion to accept the minutes from the last PATH board meeting.

Donna Blankenship seconded the motion.

All In favor, no opposed Motion passed.

Teacher's Report –

Nothing really new to report, except, that the teachers are really happy with the new science and art teachers. The teachers are also, happy about the funds for our future updates.

Presidents Report - Sumi Alhadeff

We are working on setting up the Ribbon Cutting ceremony for the computer lab. We have phone calls in to Mitch Englanders office and will give updates as soon as they are available.

It's also possible that Mitch Englander may attend our donor dinner. Again, I'll give updates as they become available as well.

Principal's Report- Mrs. Littlejohn

A few parents have inquired about movie night, they would like to know the title, and wanted to know if one ticket included the parents, child and siblings. Sumi, was able to answer a few of the questions, first, the movie has not been chosen, and second, yes, parents, child and siblings are all included in one ticket.

Observation for Matt, I've noticed that some of the corporate sponsor signs have started to come down and would like to know if you can anchor them back in place.

State provided Breakfast and Lunch will no longer be available after Winter break, we need to get the word out to the parents so they are aware. We'll put out an official letter, so those who qualify for the free lunches have enough time to get their applications in. We have to work on preparing the parents and children for the upcoming changes.

Question: Why was the free lunch started? Response: This happened, because of the move and some people were living out of hotels. Our school is taking away from schools who really need the program, we will still have the program available for those who qualify we're slated to have the program until only until 2017.

Governance meeting on the 24th, we are voting on whether or not we should renew becoming an affiliated charter. We would need to rewrite our petition. Over the last 5 years there have been no new funds so the rules stay the same. You generate funds for your school if you are not a high performing school, if you are a majority title 1, if you have a large population of English learners, there is now also money that comes from LCFF, that money is generated by homeless children and fostered youth. We have none of those this year, so we are back to about 40,000.00 for the year to run the school if we don't apply to be and affiliated charter. What we get is about 270,000.00. We have been grandfathered in so if we choose to continue it does come with a monetary chunk of funds. This will be voted on, on Monday, and you are all welcome to attend.

This Thursday we have our earthquake drill @8:45 am. I will send a message out to all families, explaining the testing procedure.

On 11/8 we will have our patriotic assembly and will be honoring all Veterans. Please invite all veterans you know to be our guest.

Science and engineering night has been changed to 11/17.

Friday we have a traffic meeting @ 8am.

I reminded parents at my coffee with the Principal that we need to be mindful that a lot of the issues stem from the rudeness of our parents. We don't want to attack Englanders office, the city or LAUSD on this matter. We want them to problem solve with us. Huge part of the problem is that our parents are not following the rules and/or directions and are being very rude to Me, Maria, Mrs. Chung, Mrs. Hortato, and the staff. Conducting one's self in an inappropriate manner, flipping us off as they're double park, block driveways and/or make unsafe choices for the safety of their children and others around them.

Finally, I just want to remind you that if you ever run into the office and run an idea by me for anything that you're doing, I may say yes or I may not think that will work. It's always under the

assumption that you have gone through the proper channels and spoken to PATH and/or Sumi. Sometimes, there is a thought that I may be ok with, but it's not being ok'd as in follow through with the action, get full approval through myself and the Path Board.

Family funday – times that PATH can enter the school grounds and start setting up.

First VP - Corporate Sponsors- Matt Wildstein

Matt and Deepak – have been working together to add more corporate sponsors to the website and have banners made.

Question; will a flyer be sent home about joining the corporate sponsorship program?

First VP – Funds for our Future- Durre Rizvi-Syed

Total donations to date are approximately, \$85,000.

Movie with the Principal is next Friday the 28th @6:30 pm.

\$1000. Donor Dinner will be November 2nd,

Mrs. Dorfman is composing a letter to send out to the families who have not yet participated.

2nd VP – Joyce Almazan

Cooks night out was amazing, we made 593.71. from Islands. Our next cooks night out will be at CPK. They will give the class with the most participation a class pizza party. The flyer will have the teachers name and room number on it. The date for the fundraiser is 10/25.

The Gift wrap fundraiser grossed 11,044. 41. Mrs. Nguyen's class had the highest sales and won the gift basket.

Science night – 5th grade will be selling pizza.

Nail Garden Fundraiser – 20% to be given back. Once a month on Fridays -

3rd VP – Christina Nava-Perez

Family Funday – needs help with set up at 8am, and breaking everything down after.

Needs help picking up cupcakes for a cake walk, 5 coolers, bags of ice, buy drinks, and to help throughout the festival. We are still looking for a food truck vendor.

Ebast – about volunteers needed for family funday.

Youth Volunteers - Alia George has approximately 20 volunteers from Chaminade coming to help out at FFD looking to complete volunteer hours.

Only 40 wrist bands sold

FFD info, can you load it in the calendar. It is loaded on the front page of the website.

Treasurer – Linda Grigorian

Linda has 81,000. in her books for funds for our future. That is because some families are on a payment program. Letter will be sent out.

Other income – Spare change, almost enough money was raised to pay for one funnel ball bucket, Mrs. Dorfman's class is holding a toy drive to raise money for the other bucket. If path is ok with covering the funds until the money is raised, we can purchase both buckets and get free shipping to help save some money on the cost.

Safety and field trip – we have 433 students who have donated out of 730 and are currently at \$3448.

Enrichment numbers are still a work in progress, just received the rosters from the teachers so I can complete the calculation of numbers.

Tax accountant price has doubled; I'm looking for a new one who can do it affordably.

5th Grade Coordinators- Diana Juarez and Janice Nardela

We are currently working on the Haunted House; cost of entry is \$2.

Pizza sales have been going ok seems to have slowed down.

Game night was great, looking in to doing another one.

Ball room – someone is going into the frig and taking things out without paying for them.

The daily news will be offered at \$.05 a week for 2 years. Rolling it out after FFD

The top sellers will get an Ice cream Sunday with a friend and the top class will get a Sunday party.

Digital Communications – Deepak

Newsletter –

Try to get group email so everyone can stay informed and use tools to monitor email threads which can be tracked so you can see who is getting the announcements and who is opening up the emails and links.

5th grade – do you want to add anything to the main website?

Distribution list for PATH – group address

Digital communication meeting - TBA

Room Parents Coordinator – Kelli Chilingarian

Enrichment Coordinator – Patrick Perez

230 students signed up – We have already started working on the next session. We will adjust as necessary.

Enrichment is a lot of work. Can we add money per class to hire someone to do the actual coordination?

Make sure your spread sheets are updated every day.

Online – can be difficult to stay on top of if not done every day.

If online, it must go through the Castlebay website.

We lost \$1000+ dollars in credit card fees for the enrichment classes.

We will have to add a percentage if you want to use credit cards. Or stick with checks.

No extra websites other than the path website, and approval must be made by Mrs. Littlejohn and Sumi.

Traffic and Safety – Maria Ebenhoch

Meeting to address Traffic issues on Friday - Traffic Situation is still ridiculous.

Parents are still not taking the safety of our children seriously, making uturns, blocking driveways, and being reckless.

Order more cones? Can we extend the car lane cones?

Working on the earthquake back packs.

Old Business –

Back pack hooks – 14 teachers would like hooks (\$1600.), 7 want the cart (\$1400).

8 – undecided

Cost is around \$4000. – Linda - would like to use money out of the Safety fund.

We will have an email vote.

We can ask parents to sponsor a rack – have name plated.

Meeting is adjourned at 10:36 am.