

Schallenberger Home and School Association Membership Meeting Minutes April 18, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. Virtual WebEx Meeting

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>: 6:31pm. Officers present: Tayesa Knight (President), Nadege Vatton Raclot (Treasurer), Elise Roussel (Secretary). Quorum present.
- 2. <u>Approval of Agenda</u>: Motion to approve agenda by Julie Smith-Reid. Nadege Vatton-Raclot seconds the motion. Agenda approved unanimously as written. No opposed. No abstentions. No additional items to add to the agenda.
- 3. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>: Motion to approve minutes from meeting in March by Kelly Woodward. Nadege Vatton-Raclot seconds the motion. Minutes as written from 3-14-23 approved unanimously. No opposed. No abstentions.
- 4. President's Report: Tayesa Knight

a. April 7th - Parents Night Out Fundraiser @ Hapas

Julie Smith-Reid made a wonderful job with Mary-Ann D'Antonio, organizing a fun parents night out. Everyone had lots of fun, good food, in a very nice place. Thank you to everybody there, organizing or participating! To get a rough idea of where we landed, we think we raised around \$7,000.

b. May 1-5 - Teacher Appreciation Week - Sign Up

Lori Ditton has been working on organizing our Teacher Appreciation Week since October. Two sign ups are available: door decoration for all teachers and staff, as well as all items that are needed (food, utensils...).

c. April 28th - Outdoor Movie Night

Kids are voting this week! Bring a flashlight, as a phone won't be enough, chairs and blankets! We will have a couple of lights for the candy and popcorn booths. Arrival and set up will be at 6:30 arrival, the movie will start at 7:00.

d. May 26th - Dance Fest

If you have leftover <u>party favors</u>, please let us know, they could go to our prize bin! Playdough, small treats... We would love to have donations. We will have a bin to collect them at the front office. Please avoid candies.

Our fundraising expectations for the Dance Fest is around \$50,000.

We need families' help to get <u>donations items or gift cards</u> we can use for our auction, as we want to include what parents offer to donate. Feel free to walk down Lincoln avenue and ask for donations, as well as Los Gatos or Santa Cruz downtown. It is better to have a SHSA donation letter to give to the stores.

Danielle Hornberger designed a <u>great logo</u> for the Dance Fest t-shirt, that will also go on the sponsorship packet. It will be a <u>beach themed day</u>! We want to keep the idea of a smiley face, as both young and older ones like it. We will have extra t-shirts for sale, we could also propose buckets hats or trucker hats with our logo. We need to get prices, then we will only sell what people preorder.

2. Principal's Report: Tayesa Knight reporting Out

You might have noticed some changes on campus, over the break: we now have less openings available through the fence, as in the Kinder playground.

3. <u>Fundraising</u>: Elise Roussel Reporting Out

Our next Eating For Education will be at Panda Express, on April 19th, on Meridian Avenue. Swags, hoots, marquee messages or free dress passes can always be ordered online.

4. Membership:

We have received some applications for <u>board positions</u>. All applications are due on April 28th.

The <u>nominating committee</u> (school principal, SHSA secretary, and two teachers and two parents chosen by Mr. Chamberlin) will decide on a board slate, which will be announced on May 5th. We will vote on nominations and budget on May 23th.

As a reminder, applications are for board positions, not for chairing an event. Feel free to contact us by email, if you already know what event chair you are interested in. The more the merrier!

5. <u>Treasurer</u>: Nadege Vatton Raclot

We already need to think about what may look somewhat different next year in terms of budget. Will PE be offered to all grade levels? Today the district only provides a PE teacher for 4th and 5th grades, that's why we brought in Recess 101. If all grade levels have PE, it would decrease our need for <u>Recess 101</u>, which has almost tripled in some years. Coach Eric is phenomenal, consistent, good with the kids, he organizes sport tournaments during recess. We are so lucky to have him. We also know that Recess 101 contractors have not always been consistent in the past.

<u>Schmahl Science</u> offers four workshops per class every year. The majority didn't work well up from TK to 3rd grade. Shall we invest if it is not working for all grade levels? Wouldn't it be better to get a big science fair instead?

Students and families have always loved <u>Starting Arts</u>, and we have very positive feedback about this program. All grade levels have enjoyed it.

<u>Art Vista</u> is also a big hit among our community, and currently has its own room (Rm20). We are getting another class of TK next year, so we may lose Rm 20. If that happens, shall we have Art Vista back into the classrooms? Would teachers agree on that? Where do we move the supplies?

<u>Teachers' stipends</u> are currently \$1,100. Teachers are free to use this amount for anything that can benefit the students (class parties, cursive handbooks, colored folders, sight word cards, carpets used as a tool...). They also have \$250 only for technology (A to Z, Newsela...). Stipends were around \$200 ten years ago. Most of the teachers spend the entire amount of stipend that we offer.

We want to bring that to the attention of families. Please speak about it with your kiddos. Here are some things that will be discussed in our next meeting. We will send a <u>survey</u> <u>monkey</u> soon to all parents and teachers.

6. Public Comment

TK and K bought big blocks for their playground last year. SHSA couldn't participate, as it was only for specific grade levels. But the other grade levels agreed to share a part of

their stipends for TK and K. Stipends have to be for the kids, not for the comfort of the teachers. They can also be used for field trips too.

We will have feedback and quotes from our providers in the second meeting in May, that's why we don't have exact numbers to give right now. We may push our last meeting on May 30th, so we have all the numbers from the Dance Fest. We could have the budget voted up to June 6th. We feel pretty confident about funding next year's programs.

Adjourn- 7:42pm Next SHSA meeting 5/9/23 @ 6:30pm.

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