



**SMS Parent Faculty Club
General Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2022 6 P.M.**

Attendees via Zoom - Jen Kohl, Irlanda Campos (translator), Daralyn Christensen, Audrey Nagle, Teri Stevens, Miriam Areli, Aliya Kohler, Patricia, Vinatieri, iPhone2,

- **Call to order:** Daralyn Christensen Kohl @ 6:02 p.m.
Jennifer Kohl announced that Spanish translation was available during the meeting.
- **February Minutes were approved:** Daralyn Christensen motioned to approve; Teri Stevens seconded.
- **President's Report – Daralyn Christensen**
 - Daralyn Christensen reported that the Teacher's Lounge refresh, made possible by funds donated by Last Bottle, is underway. Daralyn is working with Kristi Leamer, SMS librarian and parent on the project. Kristi has been sourcing furniture for the space and we are currently waiting on a decision about painting the room (will the district take care of it or will we pay someone). Teachers weighed in on what changes they'd like implemented, which included lounge seating, plants and trees. The refresh is coming together and will be a big improvement over how it looks currently.
 - Banners for sponsors, except for one, are complete. Daralyn will pick up this week.
 - Additionally, Daralyn is working on a May Hop Creek Dine and Donate. The Southside Dine and Donate was switched from the 25th (a non-school day) to April 25.
 - Daralyn spoke about the March 15th Napa County Office of Education town hall meeting via Zoom, whereby proponents of the Mayacamas Charter School will appeal the NVUSD's denial to approve the school in the 2022-23 school year. During the meeting, parents throughout the district have the opportunity to weigh in. Our concern is that if the school opens, it will take away funds SMS currently has access to, creating a deficit in our budget, resulting in a loss of teachers. Daralyn encouraged parents to participate on the call in support of a no vote.
- **Principal's Report – Jennifer Kohl**
 - Jen reported that Spring is on its way and the students are doing amazing. The two-year anniversary of Covid coincides with the State of California deciding to end mask mandates in schools.
 - To that, NVUSD sent home messages that beginning Monday, March 14, mask wearing is a choice, however SMS is strongly recommending that masks continue to be worn. In preparation, there will be an added advisory period to talk with and walk through the

change, informing students that they need to be respectful of each student's choice and decision to wear, or not wear, a mask.

- o Due to the Mask Mandate lifting on the same day CASP testing was scheduled to begin, the testing has been postponed a week to allow the change to be in effect for a week.
- o Students taking the ELAC exam for English learners have done an awesome job. The test to determine English proficiency is completed in three parts: written, speaking and listening.
- o SMS 8th grade promotion will be on Tuesday, June 14 with two promotions, the first at 8:30 a.m., the second at 11:30 a.m. The annual Aloha Party will take place Monday, June 13 and during the last day of school, which is a minimum day, students can sign yearbooks and be together.
- o SMS parent Debbie Ball is organizing the Aloha Party and promotion decorations. She will reach out at a later date for volunteers to help with the events.
- o There will be a dance on Friday, April 1 after school from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. for all SMS students. They've been asking for it!

- **Treasurer's Report – Audrey Nagle**

- o Currently the PFC account balance is \$51,322.60. The last quarterly Amazon Smile donation totalled \$116.04 and the Bookmine February Shop and Donate generated \$230. We are waiting for Farm Fresh to You donations to be received.
- o Audrey reported that she's had many inquiries from various departments about how much money they have in their budgets to spend. She anticipates that these funds will be spent in the next couple of months resulting in more reporting later this spring.
- o With Audrey's son aging out of SMS, her position as Treasurer will be open next year. The PFC will need to find an interested parent to take on the role. Audrey would be happy to chat with anyone who is interested about the position and will help with the transition.

- **New Business**

- o With Audrey aging out as Treasurer and the PFC's need to fill the Vice President position, as well as garner help with donations, fundraising, and Dine and Donate events, the current and 2022-2023 PFC Board will need to look toward helping to reshape the incoming Board.
- o Fundraising around the two donated 3-Day BottleRock passes was discussed. The name of the winner is due by April 15, which falls during spring break. When weighing the pros and cons of a raffle vs an online silent auction (which we did last year), the group decided to repeat the online silent auction, hopeful that we'd get more response due to Covid being less prevalent. It was decided to start the bidding at \$300 for the two passes. Teri will set up the online silent auction and work with Irlanda Campos to get announcements on Parent Square. The auction will kick off on March 14 and run for three weeks, with the last day of bidding set for April 7.
- o Jen asked if she could close out the fall fundraiser from Parent Square, as well as delete a snafu that created an incorrect \$2,000 donation during the fundraising event. The Board agreed to close it out.

- The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

- The next SMS PFC Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for April at 5 p.m. via Zoom.