



Valencia Home & School Club

Meeting Notes

[Zoom Link](#)

February 28, 2024

Attendance: Lisa Gorecki, Monica Terwilleger, Angela Mendenhall, Lizzy Anderson, Kelly Corbin, Sarah Lundgren, Amber Gardea, Tessa Locke-Paddon, Tanner Newton, Cara Appleton, Gustavo Guimares, Ginger Hollinga, Gatisa Noble, Rick

I. Welcome (Lisa Gorecki)

II. Approval of January Meeting [Minutes](#)

- Amber motions to approve minutes. Monica seconds the motion. Motion is approved.

III. Life Lab Presentation by Leah Creatura

a. Garden Design

- Needs to be accommodated/updated in order to meet the current needs of students.
- Compost beds need to be replaced/updated
- Request removal of aviary to expand garden meeting place
- Demolish and replace garden beds (add 2 more beds)
- Need better functioning work/meeting spaces
- Request for Garden Instruction and Maintenance Worker
- Currently has grant money to move forward **BUT**
 - **unsure of funding for in school Life Lab instruction for future years- including**
 - a part time instructor to provide lessons
 - A person to maintain garden-
- **Request for support to plan community work days for demolition and rebuild.**
 - Possible work days during spring break and end of May
 - Any connections with landscape/carpenter skills
 - (Tanner Newton volunteered to help plan/build)
 - Deadline to spend money by June 30th 2024
 - Possible pairing of 'beautification day' and this be a 'station' for that day



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IV. Financial [Report](#) (Lizzy Anderson)

a. Music Conference request (Kelly Corbin)

- **\$2500 Request from General Fund for Lodging for 2 week conference in Carmel Valley and the Olone Sisters Mini Conference.**
- Tessa motioned to approve and Gustavo to second the motion. Motion passed.
- FYI - Music Week (an open house of sorts just for music class)
 - During students class time
 - March 25th to 28th - time schedule will be sent out by Caren

b. 6th grade request for funds (Angela Mendenhall)

- **\$2377** is currently in '6th grade account'
- Requesting additional **\$5000** request for 6th grade Grad Ceremony and Party at Boardwalk
- Lisa motions to approve the additional \$5000 request with the conditions that a direct ask goes home to parents that includes a 'sponsor' a child option and all remainder proceeds go back to HSC. Motion seconded by Sara. 7 in favor 3 opposed 1 abstention. Motion passed.
- **NEXT AGENDA- HOW TO USE UP CLASS FUNDS MOVING FORWARD IN AN EQUITABLE WAY**

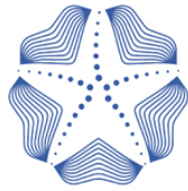
V. Events Update (Lily Gerrans)

a. Cozy Up to Reading Curriculum Night (March 8th 6 - 8 pm)

- Around the World theme.
- Starts/Ends in the Cafeteria
- May need volunteers to read
- Need 6th grade volunteers to 'stamp passports' as they go to different rooms.
- Snacks only - no dinner provided

d. Art Night Curriculum Night (March 26th starts 5:30)

- Check In & Food 5:30 to 6:00
- Food covered by Expanded Learning. Yay!
- Dance, Fine Art, Theater
- Book Fair Open 5:00 - 6:15 same night



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- e. Science Night Curriculum Night (May 2 - time TBD)
 - Next meeting food will be decided

- VI. Marketing Update (Kim Guiley)
 - a. Spiritwear
 - Monday Spiritwear will be updated on website!
 - b. Yearbook collaboration
 - Progress is going well
 - Attention Everyone: Please send any Harvest Festive pictures to Monica at email monlahaye@gmail.com Text 805-

- VII. Fundraising
 - a. Bang Cookies -Deposit \$1723.21
 - b. Dine for Valencia - Betty Burger \$650/ Pizza My Heart TBD
 - c. APEX
 - Caryn has meeting with company soon and information will be forwarded to Lisa and Lizzy
 - Teachers don't love the scheduled date of fundraiser

- VIII. Principal's Report (Caryn Lane)
 - a. Solar Eclipse - \$450 request to purchase 'Solar Eclipse Viewing Glasses'.
 - Amber motions to buy the glasses not to exceed \$500. Monica seconds the motion. Motion passed.
 - Almost end of 2nd trimester (March 6) - March 18th report cards sent home
 - No official parent/teacher conference for this trimester - however parent may request one at any time. Teachers may reach out to
 - March "Integrity" theme
 - Bird School Lessons for 6th graders (extension from 5th grade lessons last year)
 - Mandated by District due to grant funding to offer Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) for 5th graders
 - Family Life - Informational meeting for parents March 7th
 - First Cycle of Dance starts week of March 3 (Gina from World Dance)
 - Each grade level assigned dance style
 - Selection for the "6th Grade Student of the Year" process will start soon.



- Planning for next year has already started: Staffing, TK/K Enrollment moved to the District Office
- Google Form will be sent out after spring break for parent input on teacher placement for next year.

IX. Other Director Reports - N/A

X. Public Comment

- What is the update on the pothole situation? Who did it?

**Next meeting is on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 in the Library.*