

Austin Creek Parent's Club  
General Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 8:30 am (Science Lab)

1. Call to order 8:35am by Dave Traver

2. Board Member Roll Call:

Executive Committee Members in Attendance:

Emily Pope	Dave Traver	Tari Power
Lisa Brown	Deanna Holzapfel	

Board Members in Attendance:

Courtney Negrevski	Cindy Wu
Janine Taylor	Angie Castor
Kiran Acharya	

General Members, Teachers and Guests in Attendance:

Christie Nash	Jenny Lynch
Dee Bergum	Angel Masey
Katie Ruppe	

3. Motion to approve the minutes: Janine Taylor

Second: Courtney Negrevski

4. Principal's Report:

- a. Purchased 10k of Chrome Books last year. The district is now going to pay 1 to 1 for Chrome Books for students 3-6<sup>th</sup>. That has freed up almost 10k – wanting to use this money for furniture. Spoke with Mrs. Pressler around changing the size of the tables to allow kids to move around the room more. This will be addressed this summer. The next thought was putting a Kinder table where the wood chips are however, there is dirt underneath that would require a work ticket and delay the project. Looking at putting 8 seater tables outside where the long picnic bench currently is.

- b. Looking at more outdoor picnic tables for upper grades. Looking at more laptops. Wanting a designated stem lab for coding purposes. Open for discussion and ideas about where to put the furniture are welcome.
  - c. Delay on gaga pit until playground is addressed.
5. President's Report:
- a. School district approved the mural project. Timeline needs to be worked out. Start with sandblasting the two walls and then primed. Next year Dana Vallarini will work on the design and the students will then conduct a paint by number project.
  - b. Landscaping around campus: walk through is occurring with Dr. Pandolfo on May 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:45am with a qualified landscape designer, Dave Traver and Principal Lynch. Lots of injuries are occurring on the playground due to the erosion. Kids are getting hit with rocks and slipping on dirt. Also, addressing a seismic issue on the playground. The area where fire trucks would enter the playground has opened up and the area under the big top playground is shifting. There is a spot for the Gaga Pit (already paid for) but this area needs to be addressed for structural concerns before it is installed. The district approved having an engineer come out to survey.
  - c. An Air Conditioning concrete pad has been installed to prepare for AC installation this summer.
  - d. Janine Taylor brought up loss of Map on playground. It was covered up when the playground was sealed. Looking into adding this back when Dana Vallarini does the murals.
  - e. Compassion Fund: Katie Ruppe is here today from the Rincon Valley Foundation Fund. The fund has been used internally at Austin Creek for two families (over 2k has been distributed). AC gave 1k to the RV Foundation Fund. The Fund has now taken over the role of helping with the fire relief – did a holiday fair, gave out gift cards, Secret Santa (over 140 families). There is a Fire Relief Committee through the district with several members – two of whom lost their homes. Have done a fundraiser for musical instruments. A survey has been sent out to families who lost their homes – where are they, what are their needs, are they planning to stay. Identified need is more

counseling for kids. Also, Fresh Express delivery for 2 weeks for families. Another thought is drop in childcare. Plan is to have one event at the beginning of summer – passing out baskets, gift cards, and/or coming together. Intend to give out school supplies at the beginning of next year. Trying to be intentional and thoughtful going forward. Currently looking for Board Members for the Foundation Fund – send Katie Ruppe any interested names.

- f. Walkathon and Leadership Planning: Walkathon will be conducted by Katherine Larson, Deanna H and Courtney Negrevski. Auction will be led by Angie Castor and Kiran A. Need to advertise to lower grade parents the opportunities.

## 6. Treasurer's Report

- a. There is a discrepancy of 5k regarding camp, which needs to be corrected through a journal entry.
- b. Passive Fundraising has been adjusted because it is no longer meeting the anticipated goal.
- c. Family Fun Nights are going great and are bringing in more money. Same with Walkathon. Tshirts budget increased and comes out even.
- d. Montgomery Village Social – this is not always a guaranteed fundraiser – likely will continue though. Sheela Edwards wanted to earmark the funds for education purposes – unable to earmark money in a budget but due to our excess funds we are able to direct the funds to education.
- e. Went over on Community Outreach – came out of our surplus to help with fire relief.
- f. School Pride – included Kindergarten postcards and Walkathon ponchos.
- g. Waiting on a few bills to come in from the end of the year. Office copier and any assembly expenses have not been billed yet.
- h. Cindy Wu – brought up Teacher's Wish List. Desire for laptops, good quality microscopes, more Kinder playground equipment. Proposals should be submitted by the end of the year. Dave needs to discuss the Wish List with Principal Lynch.

- i. Angie Castor would like to include support staff in Teacher Appreciation week and how the Parent's Club can pay for this.
- j. Any questions about Budget: 6<sup>th</sup> grade promotion by Janine Taylor – are the parents asked to pay for anything? Courtney Negrevski states everything is covered.

Motion to approve current Budget: Emily Pope  
Second to approve budget: Courtney Negrevski

- k. New Budget: two new non-recurring items – Community Outreach for Fire Relief and Mural Projects.
- l. New rollover from cash in bank line item.
- m. Janine Taylor: Presenting research on Field Trip expenses and how the surplus in the ACPC fund could cover down the road. She is proposing \$3000 towards 2018/2019 field trip budget and \$500 towards the 6<sup>th</sup> grade promotion. Dave proposed increasing the Field Trip budget by 3K for the 2018/2019.

7. New business

- a. Board Nominations:
  - 1. Dee Bergum and Christie Nash nominated for Board. Yen Ngo and Laurel Chamness stepping down.
  - 2. Deanna Holzapfel in stepping down from her VP position. Opening for nomination to be Vice President – Tari Power was nominated.
  - 3. Janine Taylor has been nominated for Treasurer.
- b. Quorum needed for nominations and updated budget to add 3k to Field Trip budget. Will send out email. Proposal of up to \$500 to honor 6<sup>th</sup> graders – will communicate with teachers regarding this. \$500 does not need an additional vote.

Motion to adjourn meeting 10:07: Janine Taylor  
Second: Tari Power

\* Addendum to Minutes taken May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018.

We received 18 votes via email from the board approving all Board Nominations and Updated Budget to include increasing field trip amounts. Quorum met.