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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

December 8, 2021 6pm

Via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER-Valerie

- There were 13 attendees.
- General info/rules were covered.

APPROVAL OF SECRETARY'S MINUTES-Kelly

- General consent approved the November 2021 minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT-Brooke

- The current Budget was emailed to Foundation members for review.
- We are about half way through the year and everything looks good so far.

PRESIDENTS REPORT-Valerie

- Thank you to Devon for taking over last month.
- We will be doing a room 10 clean out over winter break.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-Mark Morici

- Thank you to all that are volunteering to run Holiday shop and Food drive.
- Before Thanksgiving an email was sent out to families stating there will be no music program this year sadly due to our long-time music teacher being unable to teach. Mark reached out to LPE staff and it was voted that we put an art program in its place for the remainder of this school year. The \$27,000 we had set aside to pay for our music program could cover a hired art program company. "Art Reach" is a highly recommended local company. They provide all materials and teach the classes. They also focus on social emotional learning through the art lessons. They can see every classroom once a month for at least an hour. The cost is \$14,000 for the remainder of the school year. This also means we will not have to hire an employee through the district for art. We can and should start having discussions now on if Candy, the music teacher, comes back or not next year. The hiring process for a new music teacher is very lengthy.
- There is also an idea in the works of having an Art Gallery Walk in place of Spring Music Festival.
- Someone from the district came out this week and repaired the leaks in the Storage Container that holds all the Monster Bash and Spring Music Festival decor.
- A Covid-19 Vaccination clinic will be held at PLHS on 12/9. Vaccines are not mandated at this point.

- Brooke asked about post vaccination rules regarding close contact. Our nurse, aelkind@sandi.net, is the one to email if you have questions regarding testing/exposure rule changes post vaccination.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **FAMILY DINNER NIGHT-** Jenny
 - We just got a check for \$200 from OB Noodle House
 - Next Weds 12/15 is at Loma Club
2. **DONORS CHOOSE/LITTLE LIBRARY-**Valerie
 - Although the foundation approved up to \$900 to cover the balance of this project last month, there was actually a private donor that ended up covering the rest of the cost.
3. **TEACHER COPIER/PRINTERS-** Valerie
 - We are still working with Tauni, who is working with the district, to get these copy/printers asap.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **SIP AND SHOP-**Valerie/Devon
 - No one has yet volunteered to take charge of this event and plan it, although there has been a lot of interest. This is a really fun event and we hope someone would like to take this on this year.
 - Devon sent an email out to people who were interested.
2. **HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE-**Dana
 - This has been a great success so far this year. Tuesday will be a token bonus day for gift cards. People LOVE gift cards! Food Drive ends on 12/15.
3. **HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP-**Dain
 - On average, we have been collecting around \$400 per class daily! This is before the Gift Shop Company (Penguin Patch) takes its portion. If a child does not bring money, they still get to pick out gifts for loved ones. All the kids really love this event.
 - Thank you, Dain, for the huge amount of time and effort you put into this!
4. **HOSPITALITY-** Lisa B.
 - Lisa explained the details of what Hospitality entails.
 - Teacher appreciation week was also explained in detail.
 - These volunteer opportunities will need to be taken over as this is Lisa's last year.
5. **LEGACY BRICKS-** Lisa B.
 - Lisa would like to do one push for brick sales this year. She is suggesting a price increase next year.

- The Foundation will discuss a good time to hold a brick sale drive this spring. Along with raffle ideas. Raffle winners could be announced at a virtual variety show or a possible Art Gallery walk/festival. Preferably at a time when it isn't too close to the Auction.
 - Lisa would like to do a brick in honor of Mark Morici and Candy Szalay.
6. **AUCTION-** Anna, Sari, Kayd
- The Auction will be held on Friday 4/29 at the Portuguese Hall.
 - Stan is also on the committee. Another committee meeting is set soon and he feels they are ahead of schedule.
7. **MASCOT-**Valerie/Laureene
- Laureene is still reaching out to people and has a contact she is working with.
8. **GENERAL DISCUSSION**
- Stan said dad's club will be removing the old refrigerator from room 10.
 - Dad's club also went to a trivia night at Loma Club and had a great time.
 - Loma Club was brought up as a good location for future Foundation meetings.
 - First grade and kinder dads are very interested in volunteering even more. He reminded us all to reach out and say hi and introduce ourselves.

Adjournment 6:46 pm