

Loma Portal Foundation

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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2019 6:00 pm

OFFICERS

Valerie Lawson President

Megan Polizzi Vice President

Kelly Murphy-Lyman Secretary

Jessica Goetting Treasurer

Mark Morici Principal

CALL TO ORDER-Valerie

• Call to order 6:01 pm

SECRETARY'S MINUTES-Kelly

- Approval of the minutes
- Devon makes a motion to approve the minutes.
- Stan seconds.
- Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT-Jessica

- December Statements were passed out to meeting attendees.
- Reminder, anything we are approving for the funding request line needs to be spent by the end of the year.
- All receipts need to be turned in for reimbursement by 6/3/2020. Mrs. Kinseth will remind teachers to spend their allowance and turn in their receipts.
- Lisa B. motioned to approve the December expense checks.
- Stan seconds
- Approved.
- Lisa B. motioned to approve upcoming January expense checks.
- Stan seconds
- Approved

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-Mark Morici

- Welcome back from break!
- Tomorrow, Jan. 9, is the memorial for Tonya Dysart at 1pm near the courtyard around the tree planted in her honor.
- Internet and phones are still being worked on and installed throughout the campus.
- The campus remodel meeting with the district is still on schedule for 1/27. Mark will be talking to them about what physical changes they will be considering and timelines.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. FAMILY DINNER NIGHT-Brooke S. (Valerie spoke on her behalf)
- Chuckie Cheese brought in \$476
- 2 more family dinner nights are scheduled for this month. Tuesday 1/14 at OB Noodle House Bar 1502 and 1/30 at Mitches.
- Sat. 1/25, 5-8pm Pete Mechalas' (former Dad's club member) band "Oceans" will be playing at Winston's OB. They will donate all cover charges to LPE. Cover is \$10 and it is a 21+ show.

2. HOLIDAY GIFT SHOP-Sam

- Holiday Gift Shop was super successful and thank you to the many volunteers. The kids loved it.
- We profited \$960
- 3. FOOD DRIVE-Brooke (Valerie spoke on her behalf)
- We had 25 families that attend Loma Portal that received a generous amount of donated food. Recipients also received gift cards, logo wear, and books.
- Thank you to all the helpers and all the new people who volunteered to help.
- Thank you to Barons for donating the reusable grocery bags.
- Thank you to Ralphs for donating \$10 to all the families.

4. PENINSULA SINGERS DONATION-Candy Szalay

- This fall Candy was approached by Peninsula singers who were looking for a music program to donate to. As nominee, Candy then presented a board showing what LPE music program is all about.
- Over a few weeks, individuals from Peninsula Singers made independent donations.
 They then went to locations around the community performing and collecting donations on LPE's behalf.
- The grand total raised for LPE was \$2,444.00 donated by Peninsula singers for our music program.
- It was publicized in the Beacon and Point Loma Association newsletter.
- Candy plans on purchasing more ukuleles and a microphone with the funds.
- The district does not provide funds for TK-3rd grade music programs. Our music program is solely supported by outside support.

 Thank you to Candy for putting so much effort into getting this nomination for our school.

NEW BUSINESS

- 5. GIRLS ON THE RUN-Lisa Yee
- Lisa is head coach for Girls on the Run. She encourages us all to spread the word on enrollment for this program throughout the Point Loma and Ocean Beach community. The program will be held at Loma Portal this year on Monday and Wednesdays from 3:45-5pm. A flyer was passed out.

6. ANNUAL GIVING DONATION-Valerie

- We were recently approached by Natalie Paiva's sister, Marissa, a previous alumnus of LPE. She informed us that she wanted to make a donation to our school in the total of \$30,000.
- She has expressed that she would like the donated funds to be put to use on a large project, possibly our STEAM program.
- A STEAM Lab professional, Terra from Troxel, is being consulted on how to spend the money for our STEAM Lab in the best way possible.
- There was discussion on if it would be possible to hire a full-time steam teacher in the future. Mark noted to hire any type of credentialled STEAM teacher, the salary would be close to \$100k a year, which the district does not pay for. It is easier and more affordable to hire classified staff than credentialled teachers.
- Jessica said we would continue to be in contact with Marissa and will definitely give her something as a thank you for her generous gift.

7. AUCTION-Sam

- Presale tickets are now on sale until February 7. Tickets go up in price from that date.
 There will be a raffle for an extra bottle of wine for the table if you buy tickets before Feb 7th.
- Sam expressed the need for someone to take over "Teacher Features". Jessica volunteered to take this over.
- Sam suggested the "Fund a Need" this year to be for school improvements. "Fund a Need" will be further discussed with Mark.

8. VARIETY SHOW-Becca

- MC auditions are tomorrow. There will be 10 spots for MC's. Auditions for the show are on 1/14 and 1/15. Dress rehearsal is 2/20 (mandatory). The show is on the 2/21.
- The opening song, High Hopes, will be organized by Candy Szalay.
- A potential sponsor for the Variety Show may supply additional raffle items.
- Please encourage children to do group acts, as there can only be so many acts in the show.

9. LEGACY BRICK DRIVE-Lisa

- Flyers were distributed to tables. They will also be passed out to classrooms by 2/10.
- Legacy Brick drive will end the day of the variety show. Bricks are \$100 each. There will be a drawing for Disney land tickets for anyone who purchases a brick. The goal is to sell a minimum of 20 bricks.

10. FUNDING REQUESTS-Valerie

- > Steam Lab Refresh/Upgrade submitted by Jeremy M.
 - After speaking with Mr. Morici in November 2019, Jeremy would like to enlist the some of the Dad's club volunteers to support his efforts to refresh the new/current STEAM lab.
 - The room needs additional paint and some minor construction projects to transform the current space from a computer lab to a multipurpose "maker space" for the students and teachers.
 - Jeremy is requesting a supply budget for paint, construction material and additional supplies up to \$1000 to reimburse whomever purchases the supplies.
 - Once approved, Jeremy and Stan will work with Mr. Morici, teaching and custodial staff to determine the least impactful time to access the space. The work will happen potentially over a weekend or two.
 - o The goal would be to make it look like the previous school year's STEAM lab.
 - Becca wanted everyone to know they paid a professional painter to do the previous STEAM lab because the job is really bigger than what it seems.
 - Mark pointed out that the steam room may turn into another classroom if we have to hire another teacher again next year.
 - The question was raised that knowing there is a slight possibility that the current STEAM Lab could change to a classroom next year, would everyone still feel ok spending up to \$1000 to refresh it anyway?

- Michelle Leff makes a motion to approve up to \$1000 to spend on updating the STEAM Lab refresh/upgrade as written.
- o Devon Seconds
- Approved

Specialized cleaning supplies-Becca

- Becca put in a fund request for specialized cleaning supplies for a specific student requirement due to his current medical condition. This would be for his classroom and for LPE in general. These supplies are not funded by the district.
- We already have a \$2000 as a cleaning supply line item.
- o Becca motioned to the request on hold.
- Ashley seconds
- o Approved.
- Music class storage for Ukuleles-submitted by Candy Szalay, Music teacher
 - O Through a donation from Peninsula singers, we have the opportunity to purchase 25 ukuleles for LPE music program. We need to create a storage solution for those instruments in the back stage of the auditorium. Candy is requesting funds to purchase building materials to build shelves in the storage closet that already exists. She is requesting Dad's club to install the shelving. Jeremy will head this project.
 - Total estimated cost: \$500
 - Jeremy made a motion to approve the funding request for the storage of musical equipment.
 - o Stan seconds
 - Approved

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Adjournment 7:00 pm