**Fox Mill PTA General Meeting Minutes**

**September 19, 2019**

**Fox Mill Elementary Media Center**

1. **Call to order:** The meeting called to order by Matt Hickes, the PTA President at 7:02 in the Media Center. The secretary was present.
2. **Members Present:** 20 total attendees; 14 were members. A quorum was established. Please see sign-in sheet for additional information.
3. **Welcome/Calendar:** Matt Hickes welcomes members and introduces the PTA board.
4. **Approval of May 16, 2019 Minutes:** The minutes of the May 16, 2019 board meeting were approved as correct. Motion made by Maureen Anderson seconds the motion. Quorum reached.
5. **Principal’s Report:** The update was provided by Brian Moose. Exciting month, diagnostic testing. Mentioned the parent coffee this morning to discuss adjustments to recess time which was well attended. Will bring in teachers, students, parents to come up with a fox mill document regarding recess time with safety as a priority.
6. **Treasurer’s Report:** Current checking account balance is $43,050.88. Discussed recent expenses for staff welcome breakfast, income from Amazon Smiles, outstanding requests that will be reimbursed.
7. **2019/20 Budget Discussion:** Started this year with amount similar to last school year. Reviewed Budget for final approval. Changed “Do Good A Thon” to general fundraising expenses since that event will not be held this year. Box top fundraising is now an electronic app. Need to educate parents about this as well as the other armchair fundraising, ie. Link for Giant, Amazon Smiles, etc. Will get this information out through Fox Prints. Question was raised about the budget for after school since most of the programming will be coordinated through Enrichment Matters. Will move forward to approve the current budget but can put in a motion to amend at a later date if needed.
8. **Budget Approval:** Marion Andre motioned to approve, Maureen Anderson seconded the motion; 14 approved with a unanimous show of hands from members.
9. **After School Activity Discussion:** Update provided by Margie McCoy. Principal recommended exploring Enrichment Matters as a vendor for coordinating after school activities and a 1 year contract has been signed. Hoping to start classes around the middle of October with flyers ready for next Thursday’s folder. Will still be offering some of the parent-led clubs, ie. Shogi. Marian asked about a vendor interested in providing an after school activity (magic). Margie explained vendors can express interest through Enrichment Matters.
10. **Assemblies for 2019/20:** Marian Andre provided information regarding the two scheduled assemblies that have been booked: 10/9 someone is coming to talk about bullying and 1/31 will be a math assembly.
11. **40th Anniversary Celebration Update:** Marian Andre shared that this will be celebrated in numerous ways. Monthly activities will be held. Fox Mill pencils were distributed in September. Ms. Wells will lead art projects during October. December 12th will be 40 years to the day so this may be a 70s theme spirit day. The community is encouraged to share ideas with Marian Andre or Maureen Anderson. Hoping to hold an event in the spring as a celebration for the community.
12. **Fundraiser Options for 19/20:** Maureen Anderson mentioned that due to the renovation they have discussed having fundraising efforts go towards enhancing the playground that will be built as part of the renovation. A question was raised about being able to retain money for future uses and Matt Hickes responded that this is allowable as long as the goal is to get us back to a zero balance. Other ideas discussed included expanding funds that can be requested by teachers. Currently, there is a $75 allotment for school supplies that can be requested by teachers who join the PTA. Another suggestion was to consider giving more money for 4th and 5th grade field trips or using some of the funds for a party for the students, ie. Kona Ice. Mr. Moose will meet with teachers and ask what is on their “want” list and will share this with the PTA. Maureen Anderson mentioned that Sunrise Valley just celebrated their 40th Anniversary and they requested funds from local businesses for corporate sponsorships. More info to come during the October PTA meeting.
13. **New Business:** Parents expressed interest in bringing back the PTA directory. Brian Moose mentioned that the school is not able to share this info. The PTA can request this from parents that are willing to provide the information. A parent “get name” volunteered to look into options for a directory further. Allie Greene shared information regarding the International Jubilee which will be held November 8th.  Maureen Anderson mentioned that the Fox Mill spirit wear online store closes today. Car magnets have been ordered and will be available soon. Karen Rutland shared that Japanese exchange students will be visiting Fox Mill from 10/12-10/20 and welcomed all to a community cookout that week.
14. **Meeting adjourned 8:03pm.**

**Minutes**

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