



FCS Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) General Meeting Minutes

May 7, 2024

Attendees

- Attendance: Tanisha Nanor (President), Jennifer Renkema (Vice President of PTO), Christina Buggappa (Treasurer), Erin Crowley (Secretary), Ginny Lee, Martha Arteaga, Emily Severin, Nicole Brigner, Mrs. Vislay, Mel Masta, Karen Lecy-Alvarado, Julie Harman, Kristie Palmer, Darielle Hobson

Call to Order

- FCS PTO was called to order at 7:01 by Tanisha Nanor, PTO President, virtually (zoom) on May 7, 2024.
- Opening prayer by Tanisha Nanor

Leadership Vacancies for next year:

Ginny Lee, Membership Chair, shared that there are still no nominations for President and Vice President for next year. Some ideas that were shared were the ideas of having Co-Presidents or Co-Chairs of the Executive Committee.

UPDATE: Jennifer, Ginny and Tanisha met after this general meeting to explore some options to help establish some leadership at SY 24/25 PTO meetings.

They have proposed 4 in-person meetings instead of the usual 12 via Zoom. Each meeting could include food for attendees and their children, a speaker who can speak on a topic of interest for the audience ie: mental health, how to help children with reading level improvement etc. and a 15 minute PTO business portion in the beginning so members can vote on things like the budget, teacher request etc.

The executive team may also choose to meet outside the general PTO meetings to get permissions for events etc.

This will be discussed further at our final executive board meeting of the year later this month.

Finance Update:

Christina Buggappa (Treasurer) shared the following financial report:

[Financial Report thru 04-2024](#)

Christina shared that we raised over \$10,000 with Pizza Fridays and \$165 with the KONA Ice fundraiser. \$2000 has been projected for the second round of special teacher projects. Given that there is lots of surplus money projected for the end of the year, a suggestion was made to raise the teacher projects total funding amount to \$2500. A suggestion was also made to raise each limit request to \$500. We voted on both of these suggestions and they both passed.

Committee Updates:

Staff Encouragement Committee

- The committee's next meeting will be Tuesday, May 14th at 8pm.
- Teachers and admin are invited to attend the next meeting to give any feedback or suggestions for next year.

Fundraising Committee

- Martha Arteaga, chairperson, reported that Pizza Friday is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Next year it will be offered every other week again. We can add more Fridays if we get more volunteers.
- The Used Uniform Sale will be held on Friday, May 31st after school with "dollar bottoms". It will be held outside, weather permitting. (If the weather is bad, it will be held in Room 150.) We need volunteers to help with bringing the uniforms outside and to help with the sale. The flyer just needs to be revised with the new date and the dollar bottom information. We will have another used uniform sale in the summer.
- Spring Fling is Saturday, June 8th and is a great event for the closure of the school year. We need PTO leadership at the PTO table. Mel is coordinating a scavenger hunt. Jennifer will recruit Room Parents to help with marketing and volunteering. We need 4-5 volunteers for the dunk tank. Karen is helping to recruit for this.
- Flyers for Spring Fling have gone out—thank you, Communications Committee!

Events Committee

- Prayer Time is scheduled for Monday, June 3rd between 2:45-3:30 pm for parents, students, and teachers. There will be an open mic for prayers. This should be a nice farewell for our 8th graders.
- There was a suggestion to "Chalk the Walk" with encouraging messages for the 8th graders as a sendoff. We could get some balloons as well.
- There was a discussion about changing the name of this committee. One idea was the Fellowship Committee. Further discussion is needed on this.

Closing

- Closing prayer by Nicole Brigner.

Adjournment

- This meeting was adjourned by Tanisha Nanor, President, at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted by Erin Crowley, PTO Secretary