



HVPTO/HBEF Joint Board Meeting

March 9th, 2021

Quarantine Edition

via Zoom

7:00pm

AGENDA

Call to Order 7:03

Carol Kluthe started the meeting by calling it to order at 7:03pm.

HVPTO REPORTS

Approval of Minutes

Lisa Gardner started by asking for the approval of the last minutes from January 12th. Ryan McDowell made a motion to approve. Wendy Nussbaum made a second motion to approve. All approved.

Executive Board Reports

- President Lisa Vargas Gardner
- Co-President Becky Scholten
- Secretary Laura Harris
- Treasurer Wendy Nussbaum
- Asst Treasurer Lena Hansen
- Deposit Treasurer Giuliana Boyer
- Co VP of Communication Dana Miller
- Co VP of Communication Jennifer Kucera
- Co VP of Communication Lisa Gibson
- VP/Community Service and Outreach Courtney Shott
- VP of Operations Julie Schmirler
- VP of Special Events and Volunteers Suzie Carroll

Lisa Vargas Gardner - started off by how exciting it is that the endowment hit the \$3 million mark. It's been a busy winter. It's usually quiet but recently finished up Dolphin Dash, couple of YUMraisers, Family Movie nights and Ready Across America.

Laura Harris - nothing to report

Wendy Nussbaum - Dolphin Dash really helps for next year. Way down with the budget right now. May have expenses in the spring. Going over the PTO budget with the principals soon. The drive in raised \$1,700 so little things matter. Families have definitely been showing up for the fundraisers.

Guiliana/Lene - Nothing to report

Julie Schmirler - Not on it's her birthday

Courtney Shott - Read Across America went really well. Had 32 readers so covered all classes. Readers had amazing feedback about the teachers. Readers had a positive experience.
Book Drive - children's clinic in Long Beach haven't had distribution because of a lack of well child visits.

Suzie Carroll- Awesome group of people reached out to volunteer. Lots of new faces. Reaching out to board and chair positions for recruitment.

Dana - YUMraisers Chipotle we made \$855 and Rabano \$600. Restaurants are overwhelmed. She warned them of big crowds coming. Rabano just got a new system and it broke down the night of the YUMraiser so long waits.

Room Parents - working on reorganizing and shuffling things around.

HVPTO Activities Completed

Dolphin Dash Jan 25-31- Becky - We smashed our goal of \$80,000. Came out around \$105,000. This will help keep us going next year. Thanks to everyone who helped. Kids had fun and some teachers got involved. Under the Sea with Mr. Scott will be March 31st and live streamed.

YUMraiser - Chipotle February 3rd made \$855 Rabano March 2nd made \$600

Son Fun/Daughter Dance Movie Nights at the Roadium - Made \$1,700. Wasn't expecting to make that money as it's a community event. Thanks to Shrutie for coming up with the idea. Roadium was amazing to work with. Couldn't be happier with them.

Read Across America - March 1-5 was a success. Had 32 readers for all classes. Great experience for all involved.

HVPTO Current/Upcoming Events:

Yearbooks/Emergency Kits/Spiritwear - Everyone's working hard on yearbooks. Picture Days coming up. Both books are requesting pictures.

Emergency Kits are back up on the store since kids are going back. Order as we go and deliver to teachers.

Spiritwear- with what we have left going to try pop up stores with masks etc. Will be announced.

T3Materials Pick-ups (and Picture Days!) - Need volunteers for materials pick up

School Reopenings: Room Parent Updates - Working on organizing and shuffling around

Book Drive benefiting the The Children's Clinic - Late Spring-Coming

Spring Community Activities - feeling good about where PTO is so moving aside for HBEF

8th Grade Promotion - Team met with Ms. Green. Still working on that

Lisa asked if anyone has a fun event idea please reach out to her or Becky.

Carol asked about extending emergency kits to family kits. Lisa mentioned that we did that in the past. look into it again in the fall. School supply kits company has also reached out.

Sara asked where the 3rd grade will be placed as far as the yearbook. Lisa responded they will still be in the View yearbook.

Carol - for those of us with kids that have started back at school a huge thank you to the staff and administration for a positive opening! Lisa added that it has been so seamless and easy!

Wendy Nussbaum - Finances - We received the district packet and it's been processed. No new teacher or special grants. Spiritwear is chugging along so numbers are similar to last meeting.

OTHER REPORTS

District Office - Dr. Johnson: Thanks for the kind words to the staff. Have good news and bad news. Starting with the bad...passed resolution for layoffs in February. The budget and enrollment issue emphasizes that and looking at all options for programming. Trying to grow the district. I'm hopeful for the budget presentation tomorrow. With the bill coming money will be coming.

Will be collaborating with HBEF and PTO

What's next year going to look like? I don't know but I'm presuming more traditional. Everythings seems to be moving forward with health and politics. Cases are falling off and vaccines are going up. Everythings changing. The worst case will be some hybrid but thinking it will move traditional. May still have to offer distance learning and maybe masks. Possibly not 6ft distanced or 50% capacity. As far as budget will hopefully resend some layoffs and preserve and allocate money.

As far as reopening 3-5 has reopened! 6-8 will be a creative schedule. March 29th. Waiting for the protocols to be sent. Have to have space for the model. LA Dept of Health more restrictive than California Dept. of Health. Have multiple contingency plans.

South Bay is on the front lines for being first. We are going to keep pushing.

Kinder registration - over 100 attendees. Full day kinder was announced. Opened registration the next day and had over 40 register.

Listening to Ryan and Camie talk about endowment - your efforts go such a long way! Staff appreciates your efforts!

Lisa asked about staff vaccinations. Jason responded that 100% of staff has been offered the vaccination. Credit to Beach Cities Health District.

Lene asked - Hybrid schedules? AM/PM for the older kids?? Jason responded that when we did elementary we did am/pm because it got kids on campus 4 days/week. Am/pm for secondary - zone block since health district is not going to allow.

Wendy asked if it was possible kids will zoom @ school. Jason said things change daily. If we find out after selection day we may allow changes. 6th grade schedule will change.

Rob Good asked if there were any follow ups from the returning student survey. Jason said 160 students left the district. 60 responded to the survey and 30 said yes about returning. People are wanting to know what it's going to look like next year.

Camie asked about after school program - STAR. Jason said they are trying to coordinate but yes.

Lisa asked if STAR will still continue other grades besides Kinder. Jason said yes.

Dana asked if they found out about PE for 6th graders. Jason said they can go outside of their classrooms. Same with snack but it will be short.

School Board Rep - Stephen McCall- I throughave been walking through classes and have to say it's been really heartwarming. We are continuing advocating and lobbying to help. We were one of eight out of 80 to reopen. Shows how good it's going. School board meeting tomorrow. Also, city council meeting in May and a few parents are running.

View Principal - Mr. Scott- First days have been going well. We have been letting kids in 5 minutes early unless there's a sibling. 3rd grade has gone beautifully! March school pics. Kinder registration is open. We will have a virtual tour April 13th. Hopefully we will have childcare answers then. Thank you for your patience and support!

Valley Principal - Sue Casillas - I've met so many wonderful parents. The kids are so grateful! On the 18th 4, 5 and 6 grade pick up. On the 19th, 7, 8 and distance learning material pick up. Thanks to PTO for their help with distribution. Staff is so supportive with the children. Thank you for welcoming me!

View Teacher Representative - Ms. Murtha- We've been back for 4 weeks! Teachers and kids are thrilled! Great to teach the core subjects. Things are going smoothly. Getting ready for assessments. Her daughter popped on to say "I love school!"

Teacher Representative - Mr. Harrison- 1-5th students have been experimenting with google chrome songmaker app. They make music on their own. I have so many songs coming in! 5th grade after school beginner band thank you to PTO for funding. 6th grade hopefully get kids in person. Older kids getting prepped for high school band.

Next meeting: May 11th
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