



## Manzanita Family Faculty Organization Monthly Meeting February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Call to Order:** 8:16am, Asia Haubner

- Members in Attendance: Megan Swartz, Engelina (Aja) Squires, Ann Lee, Karin Fiore, Betsy Swanson, Julie Bowden, Jennie Buban, Carin Turk, Megan Zucco, Megan Gralla, Asia Haubner, Michelle Ijams, Kim Boling

**Approve Minutes:** Asia Haubner

- Megan Swartz
- Ann Lee
- Approved January 2020 minutes

**Principal's Update:** Kim Boling with Special Guest, Mary Jo Connery

- *School Grading System Standards-Referenced Report Cards and Grading*
  - Grades are a snapshot of where that student is at that point in time
  - Scores/grades fluctuate as learning changes and grows
  - "Standard-referenced grading" does not include extra credit, behavior, attendance
  - It is consistent throughout the whole district
  - The report card is broken down into subject areas and then into different categories within the subject areas
    - Families can see strengths and weaknesses
    - All categories should have a score by the end of the year
  - We do not convert the scores to letter grades for other districts
  - "Standard-referenced grades" are focused on the individual student's performance and not compared to others.
    - Based on observations, classwork, formal assessments designed to match the curriculum standards
  - Rubric Continuum:
    - 3.0 is the goal
    - 3.0+ is an opportunity for all students to work beyond
  - Personal Responsibility
    - Homework completion, behavior, effort (life skills)
    - Reported separately and not combined with an academic grade
  - Benefits:
    - Can see clearly the strengths and weaknesses and add support when needed
    - Clear communication
    - More consistent from class to class and school to school
    - Instill goal setting with students

- Deep Learning Proficiency (DLP)
  - Listed on district website
  - Examples are systems thinking, collaboration, critical thinking, citizenship
  - Focused on though subject areas throughout the year
- How to help your child?
  - Review report card with students
  - Questions for teachers
  - Talk to your student about the importance of improving
  - Performance changes every 12 weeks, scores fluctuate
- Questions?
  - Foothills high school teachers all use the rubrics, grades are translated for colleges
  - The district follows the state/federal standards

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Amazon Smile: \$264.35 out of \$600
- Fry's : \$320 out of \$500
- Approve January Financials:
  - Lisa Yurkanin
  - Jennie Buban
    - Approved

**Mustang Bucks:** Jennie Buban

- Currently at \$28,482

**SEP:** Lisa Yurkanin

- Kindergarten Spending:
  - RAZ kids, Adopted animals from the Desert Museum, field trip to Tucson Village Farm, field trip to Children's Museum
  - \$376 remaining
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Spending:
  - RAZ kids, bought worms, field trip to Botanical Gardens, bought Nat Geo subscriptions
  - \$779.41 remaining
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Spending:
  - RAZ kids, Slim Good Body, field trip to Fox Theater
  - \$476 remaining
- Multi-Age Spending:
  - Nothing spent so far – field trip to Museum of Art cancelled, planning for field trip to Catalina State Park underway
  - \$3,931 remaining
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Spending:
  - Bought planners for all students, Greek & Roman Days supplies
  - \$2407 remaining
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Spending:
  - Bought planners for all students, Field trip to Phoenix Science Center
  - \$1,895 remaining
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Spending:
  - Bought planners for all students, IXL Math, bought material for science fair

- \$2,400 remaining

### **Committee Reports:**

- Read A Thon: Michelle Ijams
  - \$5,905 donated
  - \$4,428 back to the school
  - 98 readers created pages
  - 51 have received donations from 1 person
  - 152 supporters total
  - 15,098 minutes read
  - 3 days left
- Yearbook: Julie Bowden
  - Yearbooks are on sale, early bird pricing ends on February 19<sup>th</sup>
  - 130 books sold so far, last year sold a total of 400
- Variety Show:
  - Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Catalina Foothills High School
  - 25-30 acts
  - Preview dates will be posted
  - Volunteers needed for night of the show
- Spanish Movie Night:
  - April 3rd
- Foundation: Jennie Buban
  - Teacher of the Year was announced. Congratulation to Mrs. Michell!
  - Save the date for Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, \$30 for adults, \$15 for kids
- DFFO Report: Michelle Ijams
  - Make sure to register!
- 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration:
  - Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 1-3pm
  - Stations, collection of clothing for Amphi Bank
  - Former teachers and staff will be attending
- Spring Book Fair
  - Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Harry Potter Family STEM Night and Family Night will be that night
- Valley View hosting a documentary, "Early Child Education", 6:30pm, Wednesday February 12<sup>th</sup>

### **Upcoming:**

Read A Thon, January 27-February 10<sup>th</sup>

Staff Appreciation, February 13<sup>th</sup>

Fun Fit Family Saturdays, February 29<sup>th</sup>

**Next Meeting March 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:15am**

**Motion to Adjourn: 9:39am**