

Havens Parent Club Meeting
Thursday, March 8th, 2018 at 8:30pm Ellen Driscoll

Call to Order/Welcome/Passing of the roll sheet-Dana Lung

Present at the meeting: Andrea Hamlin-Levin, Dana Lung, Laura Amen, Judy Lin, Doug Ireland, Betty Winnacker, Barbara Dickason, Mary Beth Russell, Christina Vo, Lindsay Thomasson, Nancy white, Amy Gurvitz, Sara Lillevand, Rebecca Thornborrow, Blaire Paige, Heidi Upton, Cortney Allen, Jennifer Cavanaugh

Meeting called to order at 8:40am

Call to Order/Welcome: Dana Lung

Approval of minutes: 1/11/18 & 2/5/18

Motion to approve: Barbara Dickason, 2nd: Judy Lin

Minutes approved

Sara Lillevand (Peidmont Recreation Department):

Revamping schoolmates in order to accommodate all day kindergarten

Won't see significant change, if anything, you'll see improvement.

Changes are mainly with staff: initially, there have been 5 full-time staff members. Big change on the staffing side, looking at the staffing model.

Operating with a 300k deficit. Brunt of funds came from kindergarten. Need to break even or come close.

Highest priority: Quality care (need to maintain strong staff). Not full time, still decent hours. Difficult change for those who have been full-time.

Good feedback from parent meetings and survey

Will continue to be play based. Looking at extending the time by 30 minutes in the morning and evening.

*Been very flexible over the years. Want to continue that but will likely make some changes in scheduling.

Looking at registration which needs to be more user friendly.

Hoping to do regular parent's night (monthly on a Friday night)

Employees will remain city employees. Michael Murphy is moving out after 36 years.

Mini-mates will continue for TK (before and after school care). Will need to commit to 3-4 days per week, less flexible. Will be treated more like a pre-school.

Jennifer Cavanaugh (City Council):

CIT Program through Rec Department. Summer registration is on-line now

Let's Talk Program-spear headed by Cheryl Wozniak: Sara Wicht, expand education to the community.

(3) Days of programming: 3-6 hrs. 250 participants ages: 10-80 (1/4 of participants were high school and middle school age kids)

Focused on identity, prejudice, bias. Meant to start conversations. Build capacity, safe space, talk about different issues.

Hope to bring Sara back in August.

Let's Talk 2 - PHS (2 Sessions)

Assembly in March where kids will be presenting their own stories.

Consent assembly will happen in the fall.

Procedural Justice: (Piedmont Police Chief, School board members, PUSD members to take part in training) ***Bringing resources, conversations to the community.

Natasha Sinh-Healthy Relationship consent workshop (Piedmont Rec): Media, literacy, pornography, help to deal with all of the exposure kids have today: media, race, equity

With these workshops, kids have said they're interested in getting this info in middle school (which is happening now)

Pretty strong gender split for co-ed classes.

**Survey: kids reiterate importance, recognize other kids need the information, too (often the ones who need it most)

Workshops are usually on Sundays

Natasha and the rec department are pretty flexible on timing. For boys, co-ed workshops seem to be more effective.

A workshop for 5th graders would also be great. A possible parent night ed could get things moving.

SERVES/Christina Vo:

St. Patrick's Day at Grand Lake Gardens: board games with seniors (TRI-SCHOOL)

Earth Day: Arroyo Viejo (creek area behind Oakland Zoo). With participation, kids receive a free pass to the zoo (TRI-SCHOOL)

Book Drive: East Bay Agency for Children this spring

Lunch time program: SERVES table, packets for kids affected by the fires, cards for seniors, spring fling.

Read a Thon raised \$5500. Havens is in the lead. It's been extended through the end of this week. First time kick-off event was well attended.

Box Tops/Nancy White:

\$125 has been raised so far.

Hoping for \$1000 by the end of the year. Prize for the class who who collects the most box tops (Brown is 1st, Carter 2nd)

For every Box Top, collected, the school gets 10 cents.

Dress Best for Less/Amy Gurvitz:

\$85k raised for PEF. Always looking for donations. Need volunteers and board members. 4 hr. commitment per month

Spring sports: tons of sporting equipment available as well as cub scout uniforms

President's Report/Anne Dolid:

Thanks for everyone's flexibility regarding pilot for sending report cards home first and parent or teacher driven conferences (optional). Sending out survey next week for feedback. 10-15 conferences per teacher.

Trying to sort out minimum days, timing, teachers needing to work on report cards over Feb break (not ideal).

Need a certain # of minutes per day, no longer have furlough days. Can't take (2) days off.

STEAM Expo: March 21st 6-8pm in PMS Multipurpose Room

Shortened timeline from 3 mos. to 6 weeks. (3 mos felt too long for student led exploration and change in staff)

Parent Club meeting April 10th in the library. (6) Teachers: expression of gender identities. Gender Spectrum (non-profit), supporting all aspects of identity. Vocabulary and info is rapidly changing. A lot to be learned, students have a new vocabulary.

President's Report/Dana Lung:

HPC Meeting: Presenting budget info. PUSD grants (Betty Winnacker attended).

Discussed school districts needs. In discussion now, hope to present at next meeting.

May Meeting(May 22nd): Change over meeting, welcome in new board

PAINTS art show: started last Friday, open today 2-5pm, party on Saturday from 5-8pm at Center for the Arts

Artwork from elementary schools, PMS and PHS

Potential fundraiser this spring: Summer Kitchen pre-purchase and pick-up at school, pizza, salad (need to figure out capacity). Percentage of proceeds would go to the school.

Vice President's Report/Laura Amen:

Board recruitment:

Openings:

Lost & Found

Yearbook

5th Grade End of Year Party

Secretary

Harvest Festival

10:04am Adjournment