

MINUTES

Louisa May Alcott Elementary PTA Minutes

January 19, 2021

The virtual Zoom meeting was called to order by Kelly Mattingly at 4:33 p.m.

Board Member Attendees:

Kelly Mattingly, President	Femina Mildh, Vice-President
Cathy Bohnet, Secretary	Sherry Schneider, Treasurer
Crystal Milosh, Auditor	Tammy Payton, Parliamentarian
Heather Stojiljkovic, Historian	Melissa Rivera, Hospitality
Alisha Powell, Volunteer Coordinator	Steve Lewis, Principal

Board members welcomed new principal, Mr. Steve Lewis, and introductions made. Mr. Lewis graduated from SDSU in 1991. He lived in Guatemala for a time and learned Spanish. He has two adult children attending college. He is excited to work alongside and with the PTA.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the December 15, 2020 meeting were presented for approval. Motion by Cathy, second by Tammy; Approved.

Treasurer's Report

Sherry presented the December 2020 Treasurer's reports for review and approval. Motion by Sherry, second by Femina; Approved. Check Nos. 2092-2093 were ratified. Motion by Sherry; second by Tammy; Approved.

Upcoming Events

All upcoming events are still virtual events.

- Ryan Bros. Coffee fundraiser - See if possible to order and pay online with a direct link to Ryan Bros. Pay with Venmo or PayPal. Determine date/time for pickup of items at school. Alisha to create .pdf flyer to be emailed to parents. Coordinate with Jen Ryan on flyer details. Sherry can help and will check with Jen on direct ordering.
- Mrs. Field's Cookie fundraiser - Alisha to chair this event; Femina and Mo offered to help. Alisha will start creating flyer. February event.

Volunteer Hours - Please submit hours to Heather via Zoom chat feature, by text, or email.

- 34.5 volunteer hours logged for January 2020.

Nomination Committee

No one has volunteered to serve on this committee. Consequently, there isn't an official Nomination Cmte.; the board is trying to find volunteers. Committee to send email to parents of PreK4 /TK - 5th grade students. Also, request teachers send notice to parents through Class Dojo, Google classroom, email, etc. One parent, Elissa, has expressed interest in becoming a board member.

Membership –Julie James confirmed a monthly email reminder is scheduled to be automatically sent. We currently have 33 PTA members.

Principal's Report

Mr. Lewis' top priorities are as follows:

- On boarding with Office Manager; communication and calendar coordination.
- Gathering and listening to staff and families; gathering ideas on how to be more efficient and what is needed from him.
- Working on compliance issues; meeting District and County deadlines.
- Campus beautification.

President's Report

- Dine Out Night fundraiser is at Rubios on 1/27/21, 4-8 pm. We get 30% of the proceeds. Email reminder to be sent.
- Kelly is drafting email to staff re: owl masks. Drive through pickup of masks in parking lot on a Saturday. Kids masks also on sale.
- Crystal and Sherry continue to review bank statements monthly.
- Blaze Pizza is cooperating with schools during pandemic so we can look into a fundraiser option with them.
- Mrs. Riley asked Kelly and Alisha to take all bulletin board contents down and "refresh" them. They are waiting for campus to reopen to do so.

Open Table

- Read-a-Thon update (Tammy) - All students who submitted reading logs are winners because not many entries were received. Winners can pick up books outside the cafeteria starting on Monday. Winners: Seth Barahura and Sughas Gudivada (Kindergarten); Kaia Stojiljkovic and Alicia Bohnet (1st grade); Adelaide Hoch, Cassidy Payton, Grace Mapes, and Jay Perez (3rd grade), Marcus Mildh and Nathan Bohnet (5th grade).
- Mrs. Riley's retirement gift - No set date yet for retirement event. Lisa Morgan is planning the event and will have a gift for Mrs. Riley to take home. The PTA is organizing the permanent gift on site at Alcott. Discussed planting a tree by garden boxes.
- Scholastic Book Fair online update (Femina) – Scholastic is only offering online book fairs. Femina to check if drive-through options are available. The San Diego Scholastic warehouse is closed. If we do a virtual book fair it will be in March and tied to Dr. Seuss week. Femina to explore options and provide update in February (i.e. can we do a BOGO fair in May?).
- Cathy helping to schedule Red Cross emergency preparedness assemblies for TK - 3rd grades. APEX Fun Run scheduled for May; hopefully we will be back in school and can hold this event.

Next Board meeting: Tentatively scheduled February 17, 2021.

Next General Association meeting: Tentatively scheduled March 2021.

Meeting adjourned 5:35 p.m.