**Grant PTA General Meeting** 

February 11, 2012

Grant Cafeteria, 1425 Washington Pl, San Diego, CA 92103

Attendance - passed sign in sheet

7:52 am call to order – Lara Gates

No Place for Hate presentation – group of peer trainers that did the conference. They learned and participated in action planning activities to decide what actions needed to do to stop hate at the school. Focused on anti-bullying and inclusion. Walk in April at Liberty Station part of this. Details on the website.

Anne moves to approve minutes from last meeting. Linda second. Motion carries.

## **Administrative updates**

Principal update – Kathy – Mitizi Moreno will be hosting parent and community input meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 18, 5:30-6:30 p.m. to go over principal selection process and site criteria. There have been 4 people who have expressed interest in representing parents on the interview panel. There are spots for 2 parents to participate, so there will be a vote that night on who will be selected. Ballots will also be available in the office the few days following. There have been some safety concerns lately, and the school addressing and investigating each. Middle school students feel the stigma of being a 'snitch' when they mention something going on. Encouraging them to let a teacher or adult right away, rather than them hearing it through the grapevine later. Not having a full time VP is contributing to the issues, and next year we are allocated for .33 VP, and school site funds not available to bring that up. Finalizing budget today and staffing pieces. LCFF has bout \$15k less this year for things like subs for professional development and supplies. School Site Council decided to have a campaign to encourage parents to apply for free and reduced lunch. Just submitting the application brings money to the school, even if you don't qualify. Late start times discussion. We are not affected for next year. The following year, middle schools will all likely change and will need to come to staff and community to discuss and decide what is best for our school to do.

Grant School Foundation – Linda – Foundation agreed to fund the banner art contest. We will get 25% back to school when they are auctioned off after. Have raised almost \$87k this year.

## **Presentation Items**

Safe Spaces – Being implemented. Making progress on all of the things they have going.

## **Action Items**

Budget letter to SDUSD Board requesting full time VP and counselor — Put together information that was gathered a couple of years ago, updated with Safe Spaces and things going on very recently. Need to meet with Richard Becerra of the school board to discuss. Finance committee will need to discuss what we need to fund and if there is extra to fill the gap. Haley working on the letter. Can also engage with Gavin Newsom and Toni Atkins. Need to sit with governor's office to discuss what we need for our school. Let's do a class competition to get free and reduced lunch application for some extra funding.

Volunteer positions - Holly Amaya has taken on elementary room rep coordinator. Teacher appreciation week is last week of April. We now have gala chairs, it will be casual and art based.

Nominating committee – executive officer election will take place at the April meeting. Kristen Banky, Paula Texerira, and Anna Arsten, with Kamau Washington as alternate. Haley motions to elect those to nominating committee, Linda second. Motion carries.

Bylaws committee formation – moving forward, have all members appointed.

Nomination of auditors – Have volunteers to do 6 month audit, community members Jon Lomac and Steve Shushaun. Anne motions to appoint Jon and Steve as our auditors, Matt second. Motion carries

Treasurers report – Matt – We had \$127,092.81 at the beginning of January. There is a reported revenue of ~\$3,100 in January. There were ~\$13,352 in expenses accrued in January. For the current reporting period we had a net revenue of -\$10,252 and a current ending balance of \$116,452. There are \$3795.99 in outstanding checks resulting in an ending cash on hand balance of approximately \$112,656. Matt motions to approve the release of checks 5026-5030 as expenditures approved in the budget from the June 12, 2019 PTA meeting. Linda second. Motion carries.

## Roundtable

Garden walk in May that we will participate in.

New fencing for front of school coming next year to combat encroachment from neighbors and trespassing.

Have \$262k in bond funding to use around campus. Can't be for building or staff, but for items. Will have a list soon of initial items including, kiln, new stage, bleachers, and piano. Pushing for part of library to be converted to digital media hub.

Adjourn 8:41 am