

Donlon PFC Meeting Minutes

09-01-09

Meeting called to order at 7:25pm

Introductions by Marc:

Faculty Reps from 2008-2009 Millie Robinson, Angela Serrano, Melissa Schussel. Faculty will vote at their meeting this month for the 2009-2010 faculty reps.

President-Cheryl Thoe

President Thank You:

Laura Molnar, Erin Simonson and Michelle Lemus for their efforts at Walk Thru Registration

Old Business:

Mary Cloyd's request for money for encyclopedias at June meeting was discussed. PFC will await a request from Mrs. Cloyd in writing with quote for items she is requesting.

Principal's Report:

Text Books-Some text books are still on back order and are expected this month. Any needs prior to delivery will be met by making photocopies.

Budget Update-

1. Facilities-Donlon lost 8hrs/day of custodial time. Expect less attention to landscaping. While many volunteers have come forward to help with specific items (backpack hooks, cubbies, pulling weeds, mowing, etc) but Marc is unable to let parents do this due to union and district rules. Furniture has been obtained for all classrooms that have gone from 20 to 25. Work orders have been submitted for additional backpack hooks.
2. Curriculum-Support programs are now minimal for students. Teachers are still the best source of intervention, but now many outside supports are now gone to assist teachers and students. Marc is working with staff to develop strategies for teachers to use for students within the classroom.
3. Staffing and Supervision-Safety will not be compromised. Staffing cut for supervision to 1.5 persons/day. Marc prefers/needs 5 people for lunch time supervision and will be spending his funds to support that level of staffing. Approx cost will be \$6,000-\$7,000/year. This cost may change (up or down) when the budget is finalized.

Recess before Lunch-Marc has done research, and site visits at other schools, on recess before lunch. Research show kids don't rush through their food, they eat more, and are more ready to learn when the lunch period is over. Marc's observations the first 2 weeks: kids are eating more, not rushing to be first to the playground, much less trash, line up is easier, more focused and ready to learn. He will make adjustments in playtime vs. lunchtime by grade level as needed. Sanitation-hand sanitizer stations will be built for the lunch area for kids to use prior to eating.

Traffic-Pleasanton Police will be ticketing vehicles making illegal left turns out of the parking lot onto Dorman. Please do not use the Hill 'N Dale parking lot for drop off or pick up.

President's Report-Cheryl Thoe:

Fall Family Fun Night-Tuesday September 8th at Donlon. Round Table Pizza will be available by preorders. RSVP forms will be sent home with details. RSVP forms can be returned to teachers or emailed to Cheryl. No advance payment, pay that evening when you arrive. 6:00-6:50 pizza dinner, John Carney-Magician to perform at 7:00.

New Binding Machine in staff room is here, set up and working.

This years enrollment at Donlon is 721!

Thank you from Cheryl for many non-board volunteers who have already stepped up for this year for various activities and events.

PFC Magnet with calendar for the school year will be sent home in this weeks Wednesday envelope.

Key Dates:

Principal's Coffees will be the 2nd Monday of the month at 8:45

Red Robin-Sept 22

Book Fair-Sept 23-Oct 2

Sally Foster Kick Off this week! Packets to be sent home in the Wednesday envelopes.

Julee Samuli:

Planning has begun for the Donlon Total Talent Show for Tuesday February 23, 2010. There will be auditions in January. To be held at the Amador Theater. Lobby will display art, photography, poetry, etc. Kids will perform, MC the show, be the backstage hands, etc. We will need parent volunteers in advance and to usher that evening.

Brenda Hager:

Cubbie Chronicle is only being sent via email this year. Info to be sent in the e-connection as to how to sign up on line if you did not do so at Walk Thru.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:53pm