



CANYON CREEK PTA BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 17th, 2023

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

CCE Library

Attendees: Liv Gorman, Michelle Lee, Jen Chan, Ashley Watts, Brandi Doyle, Katie Barnes, Raj Pundin, Christine Hanson, Erin Sadowski, Feng Li, Ksenia Kimani, Melissa Barton, Barbara Liang, Tom Lorusso, Erika Del Villar, Prasanna Nagavalli

Call to Order 7:01 – Liv Gorman. A quorum was present.

Guest Speaker – Principal Brandi Doyle

- Apex made \$50000+. Thanks to all volunteers! Prizes were put in student backpacks discreetly. Students loved the social/emotional lessons and feeling of empowerment.
- 925 students, 75 fewer than last year. We have two open classrooms this year. We had fewer K than expected but more first graders enrolled in August.
- Inclusion model for 2nd grade kids qualified for hicap reading and math. We have 8 second grade classes. Self contained hicap classes will be phased out.
- Pick up and drop off with our size is challenging.
- Student council is taking on a nonperishables food drive for Helping Hands. We're hoping this food drive will supply families in need over school breaks. The school will collect grocery gift cards as well. Kids will try to fill Ms. Doyle's office!
- It's been a smooth transition back to school.
- The change in hicap model may mean fewer students over time.

Approval of Minutes – Ashley Watts

- Ashley shared the minutes from May 16, 2023. No adjustments were made. The minutes will be filed as presented.

Nomination and Election of Co-Treasurers – Liv Gorman

- Liv nominated Erin Sadowski for treasurer.
- Liv nominated Varnika Chaudhary for treasurer. Varnika is interested in contributing but is unable to be present due to a class commitment on Tuesday evenings.
- Co-treasurers are allowed as long as the split duties.
- Erin and Varnika were both unanimously approved as co-treasurers.

Approval of Standing Rules – Liv Gorman

- Liv presented the standing rules. No changes have been made since last year.
- Our dues this year are \$20 and that is our current cap.
- Board meeting must have a majority of the executive board present for a quorum. Membership meeting must have 10 for quorum.
- Membership chair and advocacy chair are both members of the executive board.
- Standing rules can be found on the CCE PTA website.



- No amendments were made. The standing rules were approved for the forthcoming year.

Membership Report – In need of a Membership Chair

- 114 members
- Membership price is \$20

Sponsorships

- Nicole has reached out to 41 local companies. Two have signed up:
 - Gold - \$300: Champions. One more business is pending at Gold level.
 - Coyote - \$15: Bothell Gymnastics
 - Platinum level has been increased to \$600

Fundraising

- Pass the Hat
- Charitable donations thus far: \$1400
- In the past these donations have covered things like Helping Hands, popcorn Fridays, supplies for art docent, printing flyers, etc.

After school programs – two chaperones required

- All classes full except Floorball

Art Docent – Christine Hansen

- 40 people came for the first in-person training since covid.
- Eight classes still do not have a volunteer. The goal is at least one volunteer per class. Lessons are already prepared, you do not have to be an artist! Kids love this program. We would really love to find enough volunteers to fill these holes.

Reflections – Nov. 17 th deadline: “I am hopeful because...”

- You can even submit a picture. Submission link is on our website.

Helping Hands – no chair

- The school and student council will be taking over much of the organization of this. We will need helpers to organize and sort items when the time comes.

Staff Appreciation

- Quarterly
- Be on the lookout for signups to contribute to these efforts.

Communications

- 1 newsletter per month
- Minimal kid mail/flyers/posters



New Ideas/Questions/Concerns

- Full list of PTA programs, chair positions and open positions can be found on the website.

Meeting is adjourned at 7:59.

Our next Board Meeting will be held in January of 2024.