

## **BANCROFT ELEMENTARY PFC BOARD MEETING**

### **Bancroft Elementary PFC Minutes – DRAFT**

May 16, 2017 <Minutes are organized by Agenda schedule; not necessarily in order of actual presentation>

The meeting was called to order by PFC President Mari Mielcarski at 7:01 p.m.

### **Executive Board Members in Attendance**

Linda Schuler- Principal; Mari Mielcarski- PFC President; Hillary Osness- Vice President; Matt Gould- VP Strategic Funds; Marga Marshall- Historian/Parliamentarian; Ashley Foster- Treasurer; Anna Rowe-Secretary

### **Others Present**

Stefanie Lee, Tatiana Diaz, Tatyana Espinoza, Sandra Heinen, Mary Anne Parker, Deanne Giffin, Federico Bongiovanni, Melissa Horgan, Emily Andrews, Sarah Rhodes, Brian J. Espinoza, Renata Lucena-Klawyer, Pauline VanBeck, Adrianna Ricondo, Jennifer Enson, Gosia Dunning, Tatyana Leskowitz, Sandi Rosenblatt, Traci McPhee, Katherine L. Beckner, Angela Sandoval, Alyson Ogden, Amiee Gordon, Kristina Johnson, and Donna Maloney. (32 total in attendance)

### **Welcome** – Mari Mielcarski

Welcome and introductions.

**Approval of Minutes** – April minutes were reviewed. Mari motioned to approve. The motion was seconded by Sandra, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report** – Ashley reported (see handout). Auction income has continued to trickle in, but it's mostly done. Total income from the auction was 31K. Book fair totals are recorded for cash and checks, and even though the total is negative, it doesn't account for credit card payments to Scholastic. Net income is \$27,133, cash in savings \$50,343, checking \$131,227, with a cash balance of \$175,457. Net cash available is \$156,383, and available free cash is \$85,146.

### **Principal's Report**- Mrs. Schuler

- Thank you for the beautiful staff appreciation week.
- Musical went really well.
- Athletics was fun for the kids.
- The instrumental music concert is coming up on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Science night is coming up with dinner and hot dogs. Dinner is from 5-6, and stations begin at 5:45.
- The last lifeskills assemblies are coming up on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Mrs. Schuler is adding additional awards for students who met the reclassification criteria.
- Book reviews are ongoing for parents.
- State testing is going on, as well as the last and final diagnostic for iReady. The iReady accounts are available until the end of July for students to use at home.
- There are lots of culminating end of year events. 5<sup>th</sup> grade promotion is coming up, and the end of that morning will be a "walk of fame" in front of the other students.
- Looking forward to the volunteer appreciation brunch on 5/31.
- Bancroft has its 50 year anniversary next year in 2018.
- We need new site council parents for next year, the council meets once a month on a Thursday after school in the library. Noon supervisors are also needed.
- Enrollment update- the numbers are sitting at 600 right now, and there is a potential for a 5<sup>th</sup> kindergarten.
- Mrs. Schuler is still recruiting for a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade dual immersion teacher.
- MDEA Academy Awards- Bancroft had two parents who made the final list: Tatiana Espinoza and Christine Kamita!

**Faculty Report-**Ms. Andrews, Mrs. Giffin, and Ms. Parker reported out on what the grade levels are working on currently. 2nd grade: geometry, multiplication, introduction to fractions, vertebrates, and invertebrates. 3rd grade: CASSP testing has gone well on chromebooks. In the STEAM lab they got to design their own challenge. They also completed walking field trips to Shadelands Ranch Museum. Two classes sang (Andrews and Korsgaard) at the Concord Carnival and made one thousand dollars. It will go into a choir fund for an after school enrichment in the future. 4th and 5th grades have been testing also, and really enjoyed Mathletics. 4th grade: went to Borges Ranch, and just completed their 4th grade poetry celebration. Having grade level money is much appreciated. They recently purchased new protractors, number tile cards, binders, and report folders for each student. 5th grade: each class went to the Disney museum, they are practicing for promotion, doing state reports, and preparing for the state float parade. Science night is coming up next week, there will be lots of fun projects, some are old and some are new. The garden will be open that night. 1st grade: finishing unit readers and preparing for books from the new adoption, and participating in reader's theatre in class. Math is place value with story problems, social studies is landmarks, field trip to ARF, released butterflies, science is liquids, gasses, and solids.

### **Old Business-**

- We need someone to take over Mathletics.
- The City of Walnut Creek has agreed to fund 50% of a crossing guard at Parish and Claiborne.
- Kim Harris from PEAK has our 2k check, and the idea is that the 2k will be for funding STEAM.
- Ashley shared the budget on the overhead.
- There was discussion about using a new company (99 Pledges) to make credit card donations easier for school events, etc.
- There was also a suggestion to donate a flat amount of money, or donate a gift card at the beginning of the year for teachers to buy supplies as needed, instead of going out and buying excess supplies.
- Currently the total expenses are at \$190,092, with a negative net income of \$10,892.
- It was proposed to replace the chromebook replacement fund from 25k to 15k, which would balance our budget out of the negative. Matt motioned to pass the budget, Melissa seconded, and the vote was unanimous.

**New Business-** Matt presented the distribution of rankings from the staff and parent survey. Findings were that a new marquee was ranked the lowest, and the Garden Classroom was ranked the highest. Plans for improving the Garden Classroom will be worked on in the upcoming 2017-2018 school year. The proposal is \$26,358 for new 3<sup>rd</sup> grade chromebooks, \$11,898 total for Library/STEAM lab chromebooks, with a total of \$38,256 (see handout for price breakdown). Matt motioned to fund two classrooms of chromebooks (64 total). Melissa seconded, and there were 21 for and 9 against. The motion passed. Matt motioned to fund additional chromebooks for the library/steam lab, which will create a mobile computer lab for grades K-2. Ms. Parker seconds. 14 for and 12 against, 1 abstention. The motion passed. These votes came after a lengthy discussion, and there was a suggestion that there needs to be communication to the community about how and why these motions passed. If the chromebooks were not voted on and purchased now, they would not be ready for the start of school.

**Announcements** May 22, 6:30 – Instrumental Music Concert  
May 23, 5:45 – Family Science Night  
August 16 – Bobcat Info Day

**Next Meeting** – Tuesday, September 12, 2017

**Adjournment** 9:58 p.m.