

Forest View Elementary

Virtual via Zoom

August 31, 2022 6:30pm

PTA MINUTES

Meeting Called to Order at 6:30 PM

Welcome—Kristina

Welcome—Principal Sledge

Notes there have been district-wide challenges in hiring staff but that Forest View is in a good position to start the year. She shared that kids are in a good mood and off to a great start. Encourages parents to come volunteer at Forest View, emphasizes that there are many ways to get involved.

Kristina Introduces PTA Board

- Kristina Baldrige, President
- Jenni Rosen, Vice President (Communications)
- Jill Stuart, Vice President (Teacher Appreciation)
- Barbara Goettsch, Treasurer
- Katie Hodel Schroll, Secretary

Kristina provides overview of what the role of the PTA is, makes plea for both parents and teachers to get involved. Shares that there will be two big events at school, a fall picnic and a larger spring picnic. Describes ways PTA can help fund projects of teachers' choosing in their classrooms. Mentions that PTA will be supporting Hispanic Heritage Month, Black History Month, Pride Week, and SOAR Week, among other initiatives at Forest View.

Budget Overview—Barbara

- Barbara shares slides that show how the PTA budget will be used this year and explains in detail how PTA money will be used. General areas of spending include Teacher Appreciation and Support, Specials Support, Community Events and Programming, Grounds Support, Operational Expenses, and Cost of Goods Sold.
- Kristina adds information on our Shop and Earn programs (Amazon Smile, Harris Teeter, Bod Tops (for complete list, see PTA website) and Spirit Night Fundraising Events (first Spirit Night is at Taqueria La Vaquita on September 22, and second is at Elmo's October 10-13). This year's Unfundraiser goal is \$27,000.
- Motion made to approve budget. **Budget approved unanimously** by attendees typing "yay" into chat screen.

Volunteering with the PTA—Kristina

- Kristina makes plea for folks to volunteer with the PTA. Volunteering Committees include Communications, Fundraising, Volunteer Management, Advocacy, Community Events, Teacher Appreciation, and Miscellaneous. Many of these committees already have folks signed on but all could use additional volunteers.
- Discussion of volunteering follows. Several people made suggestions of ways they could help (have been followed up with, post-meeting, by members of the PTA Board) including but not limited to supporting PAAC (Parents of African American Children), working to ensure translators are available for events such as PTA meetings, writing grants,

Approval of June Minutes—Katie

Minutes shared on screen and motion made to approve. Approved anonymously by vote via Zoom chat.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:35 PM

Upcoming Dates

- The next PTA meeting will take place **Tuesday, October 11 at 6:00 pm** in the Forest View Media Center (and via Zoom for those who need to attend virtually).
- First Spirit Night **September 22** at Taqueria La Vaquita

Attendance

Felicia Sledge

Kristina Baldrige

Jenni Rosen

Jill Stuart

Barbara Goettsch

Katie Hodel Schroll

Jake Baldrige
Ryan Kempf
Sarah Miller
Valerie Lewis
Liz Snyder
Kaylene Myers
Katherine Fioret
Pamela Wyman
Alexina Alonso
Jenny Parrish
Stacey Cunningham
Kerrie Powell
Mary Blessing Ortiz
Marcus Roll
Sarah O'Brien
Jennifer Avery
Suzanne Landi
Amanda Maris
Jennifer Gierisch
Nathan Marvelle
Trisha Rostagni
Marcus Acheson
Sarah Sterling
Katie Neal Fisher
Christina Damiani
Nellie Bellows
Darby Schenkel
H. Yokoyama
Tameka Wyche

Diane Daly
Shana Brye
Elizabeth Godwin
Anand JV
Eliza Strickland
Elianne Obregon
Meghan Lyon
Caroline Bailey
Emily Thrasher
Sicily Sierra
Mustafa Rezaie
Tim Ross
Tracy Wills
Joanne B.

*Note about attendance: we attempted to capture attendance through a transcript of the Zoom chat, but it's a dense printout and occasionally a name was not attached to the comment such as a few people were probably missed—I'm sorry about that! If you attended the meeting and wish to have your name added to the list, please contact PTA Secretary Katie Hodel Schroll at khodel@gmail.com. Thanks!