

Kula School PTA Meeting Minutes - unapproved 11/18/2020 | via Zoom

Attendees: Brooke Levien, Matthew Neil, Lisa McClintock, Justine Malek, Ashiya Carter, Christine Christensen, Yvonne Lang, Paula Herbaugh, Jasmine Dupont

<u>Call to order</u> – By President Matthew Neil 6:05

<u>Approval of Minutes last meeting</u> – last meeting minutes were approved by Christine Christensen and Matthew Neil

Principal's Report (Mr. McClintock)

Current enrollment (status date of meeting) 377.

One teacher position sold (retired employee who was out on leave for a long time)

Sub will take over position which will save

Tech support left and school is looking to fill technology support position

Special Ed EA for kindergarten was hired (trough special ed funds)

School is looking to hire classroom cleaners and supervisors

Return to blended: 1st grade is in, 2nd grade is coming on November 30th, 3rd Grade planned for January 11, 4th grade planned for January 25th and 5th grade on February 8th.

Academic plan: comprehensive needs assessment (faculty & staff working on this)

CEP and title 1 status. Kula is right now in CEP. Kula had not qualified for title 1 for the past 3 years. CEP schools do not fill in the title 1 reports, but receive it automatically. However, due to some misinformation and some mix-up at the state level Kula Elementary School does not receive title 1, as they should not have received CEP to begin with. Potentially Kyle Yamashita can be of assistance. Lisa McClintock will contact him. PTA offered to help with letter if that would help.

Teachers report (Justine Malek)

K and 1st grade are on campus and things are going really well. Planning schedules is complex, but everyone makes an effort to not cross bubbles. Teachers are thankful for recess material. The Plexiglas dividers are extremely helpful. Picture day coming up Wednesday. Times are by last name. Scholastic book fair is happening. No school next Thursday/Friday for Thanksgiving. December 18th will be last day of school.

Treasurer report (Brooke Levien):

Foodland give aloha funds \$ 72.88

Handful of sponsors contributed to school. Already \$ 2,650.-

Will we do mahalo banner for sponsors? List of contributors in treasurer's folder.

Ashia will do the thank you cards.

Tax returns are being filed.

One more teacher took advantage of the professional development funds

More recess material will be ordered (for grades 3-5)



There is no fundraising committee (yet). Reminder was just sent in about beach cleanup. PTA would need a fundraising chair.

Other business:

PTA is considering doing a drive-through Holiday event. Ideally something with a joint activity where kids can assemble a craft or similar together on zoom. Idea would be to have a Kula Cougar cup with hot coco and candy cane and a craft handed to the families.

Survey for dialogue purpose is further discussed. Lisa McClintock points out that teachers are already under a lot of pressure and is not certain if teachers would want to welcome more critical voices. Online forum would be good to hold in January.

Thanks for your participation tonight everyone!

The next meeting is February 13, 2021, 6:00pm

Adjournment – 7:24pm

Submitted by Yvonne Lang, Secretary