

04 May 2017

Kula School PTA ~~Draft~~ Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Tiffaney Brooke, Kristi Kakiuchi, Emily Severson, Brook Levien, Stacy Downs, Summer Peterson, Dionne Carvalho, Daeni Ito, Melanie Devereux, Susan Kim, Gretchen Cahana, Tammy Ramos, Chris Bachaus

Call to order by Vice President Tammy Ramos at 1810 (6:10 pm)

Approval of 4/6/17 Minutes

Principal's Report

The Kula Way- A Culture of Mutual Respect & Shared Responsibility

- Kinder reg is ~ 48 need 72 more for 4th teacher
- Invited to participate in BKM – kid will narrate
- SBAC testing complete – students did very well, numbers to come
- HAS (Grade 4) Science proficiency is great = 70% target was 68%
- No Title 1 money for next year we reached 47.2% = loss of 70K in federal funding but planned or saved carry over 160K in funding to cover the loss. Applications for reduced and free lunch is at beginning of each school year and is complete in Sept, the cut off is 48% of the community / school needs to have reached this percentile in order to receive additional federal funding to cover lower income group within the community as a whole. Kula School has gone in and out of title one funding over the years. Tammy: PTA's involvement a few years ago included setting up computers at orientation in order to see that everyone who wanted to apply and needed access to computer could fill out the reduced lunch applications and survey. Free lunch & free bus go hand and hand, so this group may not be as represented on campus and harder to reach with information and aid in the process. Maybe we can have information on this subjected at May day sign up starts in the summer and again at orientation or supply drop off.
- Lunch accounts are going to be messed up due new state system failure, working to find out the real numbers and office will be calling parents to notify everyone - kids will still get lunch
- Overall School Wide Attendance has been poor this year
- DOE is looking for State Superintendent both candidates are women – talk to Grant Chung is rep and can have him out to explain, he is our voting member who can answer questions or hear requests
- ESSA is being revised DOE is formulating how our school will be measured and there is an open comment period that all can use online at Hawaii DOE website (look ESSA)
- Flip flop dismissal schedule last week of school and entire upcountry complex will
- Aug 8th first day of school

WASC is wrapping up self study process – draft will be done soon and needs your input there is a survey being sent out to answer two questions about Kula School here are the questions: "What is the best thing about Kula School?" | "What is one area that we need to work on as a school community?" Amanda is also requesting parent/PTA involvement at FOL group meetings for 5 WASC groups next year in the Fall, the report is finalized in December.

Budget – Melanie Devereux

- We have a preliminary budget now and can finalize during the summer after the last fundraisers are complete. Let's for now give verbal approval on the following and can email the final budget out this summer and vote that way over all we want to keep all of the things that are in place from last year PE, Chance to Dance and Voices, add visual arts for grades K-4 and Grades 4 & 5 get ukulele and grades 2& 3 get bricks 4 kids and grant for music for the lower grades with Mrs. Hart (k-3 or k-1 ? not sure which grades ?).
- Grants are available and here are some resources – Stacy Downs many don't apply but she will take a look at the print out from Melanie and see what she can do. Might come into play for this years budget or next years depending on the details and grant specifications.
- Summer - Art maybe a rotation for ½ a semester but Amanda knows the details and will help to figure out the details

Teacher's Report - Summer

- Hawaiian Plate lunch needs to be picked up in F103 after the performance
- Please know that there need to be signs that say Dannies Catering or not prepared at Kula school right out

side, if next year there is another hawaiian plate lunch please invite Lynn or cafeteria manager to the PTA meeting.

- Dionne will connect with Lynn tomorrow and figure out the details
- Serving Plate at 10 am
- Parking volunteers needed – Emily will send out email to recruit help
- Pass to allow early dismissal due by the 10th of May can pick up kids at class room

Spring Fundraising update – Daeni, Dionne, and Brooke

- Sorry - Never meant to step on anyone's toes and didn't know about all the details
- No longer collecting \$, 257 plates ordered and 300 total will be available
- Need volunteers for making plates one shift
- Brooke – volunteers to bake and deliver Friday am at tent will be near entrance and grass will have coffee and water with treats (kids can deliver food) PTA will do membership drive and give stickers, hats and need to send out Hat / Membership drive /bake sale / drinks - email ad before the 12th .
- Survey for fundraisers next year

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon May 17, 2017

- Families please bring desserts donations morning of , drop off at library
- Tiki Tiki Thai Food
- Please come and bring decorations to the library the day before to set up, help needed

Vote for Secretary Susan Kim – Motion Approved Tammy and Summer and no objections

Thanks to Summer for representing for the last two years - next year Kristi and Debbi will be teacher reps.

MAHALO TAMMY, NAOMI, & SUMMER FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK – A HUI HOU

Adjournment 1925 (7:25 pm)

Next Meeting: TBD SY17/18

Submitted by: Emily Severson