

Kula Elementary School PTA Meeting



Minutes Unapproved

11/08/2023 via Kula School Library

Call to order: 6:00pm

Attendees: VP Dylan Rist, Treasurer Gina Castaneda, Adjunct Board Member Jennifer Phillips, Secretary Melissa Davenport & 7 PTA members.

Dylan calls for Approval of October Meeting Minutes- Jennifer calls to approve, Gina and Dylan seconds.

Principal's Report: Marianne Wheeler

1. Working on budget for next school year. ESSR money is done this year. 98% of our ESSR funds are used. Marianne had asked for extra ESSR funds from other schools that aren't used by June 2024. They will get back to her.
2. \$142,000 after the staff is paid. \$130,000 from Title 1 funds. \$100,000 hopefully to rollover for the next school year.
3. Maui Pops orchestra came to the school today.
4. Trunk or Treat was successful!
5. Harvest Fest- nine slots left as of today.
6. December 9th Holiday Fair & gingerbread lane- as of today 15 Vendors and a tent rented for weather, craft fair and hot cocoa for the kids.
7. Mrs. Yutzy doing a mural in the library!
8. Waiver days will only be 4- 5 this year.

Teachers Report- Mrs.Kaukai

1. Things are going well.
2. Parent teacher conferences went well.

3. The teachers helped get volunteers for Harvest Festival during the Parent Teacher Conferences. Teachers were also trying to brain storm about how to reach the community for help. *a parent brings up that it might be a good idea to have a meeting with the teachers/parents for parents to get signed up for future events to help out. Marianne says that because of Covid parent helpers were no longer allowed to come into the classroom to help, but now everyone is slowly trying to get back to the parents helping out more.
4. Teacher reimbursement form- Jen Will finalize it and we can email it out.

Backpack to school PTA Supply Drive for SY 2024-2025

1. Contact Office Max, Walmart, Target etc for supply donations
2. Teachers get supply lists to PTA for classrooms by February 2024.
3. 200 back packs have already been donated from Costco-Possible to have more back packs donated in the new year.

Fundraising – Dylan

! We are still looking for a PTA Fundraising Committee Chair!

King K Winter Festival- 5pm-9pm Volunteers needed for PTA Balloon Pop. - Volunteer sheet went out.

1. Merchandise is all ready for Harvest Festival:
Tote bag, shirts, hats, stickers, window decals, water bottles, discount cards
2. Guessing game- Possibly not enough time to pull this off for HF but good idea for the next events.
3. Brought up that PTA should stick to selling just our merchandise as to not compete with the vendors that paid to be at the HF & Winter Craft Fair
4. PTA Kula Cougar color sheet contest- probably to late to arrange this for HF but another maybe for another event.
5. Presale poinsettias- We need to call vendors for prices, send out a flyer for sign up and post it on Parent Square. Pick up would be at the Winter Craft Fair on December 9th. The time frame might be too tight to do presales.
6. PTA Fundraising is evolving-
Committee Chair involvement would be:

- a. communicating with PCNC Jody with her calendar on when a good time would be to do fundraisers.
- b. finding good creative ideas that fit into the schedule.
- c. Finding ways of getting meaningful amounts of money raised.
- d. Small fundraising is okay but harder to have many small events.
- e. Marianne suggests having a survey sent out to parents asking what it is they want to help PTA out with- Time, Treasure or

Possible Art Projects for the School's Future

1. National PTA Reflections-Nov 30th is deadline So we can submit for anyone who wants to do it.
2. Federal Arts Grants- School or the PTA on behalf of the school can apply.
 - a. The person who submits for the grant must have a certain number of years in the subject.
 - b. Marianne asks Dylan to give the application to them to fill out so they could see if they have someone that qualifies.
 - c. The grant money goes for something that the school does together for the school.
 - d. July is the deadline.
3. Talent School/Art Show-
 - a. Looking at Project based learning in the evening for the parents to come.
 - b. Talent Show is hard because the cafeteria capacity is 128 people. If we do it outside, we would have to have a tent in case of bad weather.
 - c. PTA will be involved if it happens.
 - d. Possibly combine a talent show with the Color Run?
4. Malama pins
 - a. Introduced at the Made in Maui Festival
 - b. Promotes compassion and empathy to acknowledge the difficult things that people have been through without having to talk about it.
 - c. We will have it at our PTA booth for people to take if they would like them.

Other Business

December 13th Next PTA Meeting SCC to come and introduce themselves during our meeting.

SCC meeting to be rescheduled to December 13th at 5pm and PTA will meet afterwards at 6pm like normal.

Dylan Call to Adjourn – 2nd by Melissa at 7:03pm