

Minutes
Fallon Parent Faculty Club Meeting
Monday, October 15, 2018
6:30 PM Start

Community Members: see sign in sheet

Agenda

- I. Call meeting to order: Shazia - Meeting called to order at 6:34

- II. Action Items and approval of minutes -
 - A. Previous meeting minutes from October 15, 2018 meeting - Motion to Approve the Minutes for the October 15, 2018 PFC meeting.
Tammy made the motion . Barna - 2nd the motion
Ayes - All
Nayes - None

- III. Principal - Sheri - Today is the 1st day of the 2nd quarter. Report cards will be done different this year. Going back to mailing report cards to each student. Parent/teacher conferences next week on Wednesday and Thursday from 3:30 - 6:30. Library will be open both days for students. Thank you to the hospitality team for all their hard work. They will put together a buffet bar and goody bag to take with them to their tables. Parent - "Is there a way to opt out of report cards?" Sheri - "We might be able to do that. Both Wells and Fallon did not send out at the end of the year but both schools got calls to get the report card and then ended up having to print out individual report cards anyway."
On Thursday night there is a "Book Talk" immediately following parent conferences. We will send something in the Flash so we can see how much to purchase for dinner and I will facilitate.
Halloween activities - costumes are allowed, no full face mask and age appropriate. Nothing R rate, no toy weapon and there will not be a parade.
Single Plan for Student Achievement - Working on a strategic plan due in 48 hours. Site Council approves it every year. Really plateaued at Fallon. All the easy things we could do to help students have been done. When we look at commonality of students not scoring at level 3, kids were scoring at level 1 and 2 in both English and Math. Many of these students we feel do not have a strong connection to the school. We will be attaching an adult to the student that can help monitor the student. We have systems in place and we watch their grades. There is a meeting that all students with D's and F's are looked at so we can help them. Parent - "How about a student that regularly gets A's and A-, how do we help them to an A+?" Sheri - "We no longer are measuring just to see how many

students are over the bar. Instead, there is an incentive for teachers to increase learning for all students.” Fong - “If the student has a B and you identify the student, does the school communicate with the Parent?” Sheri - “Yes, we can do a better job on that. Teachers assume that parents are monitoring the portal. By March of 8th grade year there should be a gradual movement of individual communication between staff and student. There is also peer tutoring.” Parent - “Will it be 6th graders working with 6th graders?” Sheri - “Typically 6th graders work best with 8th graders.”

Working on the concept of Villaging. Operate in villages so that teachers can know each other. For example there are 600 6th grade students with 200 students in each village. Two Core teachers in each village etc. Mike - “Will the same students in the village stay together?” Sheri - “Students in the same village will not necessarily stay together throughout the day, but they will all have the same group of teachers. We are looking at ways we might be able to train and work with volunteer tutors in our classrooms to provide the teacher additional help and support. If one goal is for all students to show growth each year, then we need to support the kids who have gaps in foundational knowledge that prevent them from meeting grade-level standards.”

IV. President - Shazia

Good Things - I want to celebrate 3 people who make a difference. 1. Mike, Lindy and Barna because of their birthdays.

Special Shout-Out to Riti and her daughter for the Mustang Round-Up. The most popular event was the teacher and student basketball. Leadership also did an amazing job. Feedback on the Bollywood Dancing - There wasn't an audience for them to watch them dance. Shortage of volunteers. Lori and Fong did an amazing job.

Working on the Treasurer's procedures and things are finally back on track. We are meeting at the school on Friday's. Stephanie will be a monitor for the treasurers. I would like to give her a token of appreciation like a gift card. Sheri - “How about \$200.00?” “I move to allocate \$200.00 for a gift card from account #63900 for Stephanie.”

Riti - 2nd Motion

Ayes - All

Nayes - None

Shazia - “I got a Starbucks Card for Kristen - She did all our fall check-in distribution of the gifts.”

Shazia - "I closed the Merchant Service Account since October 9, 2018. Confirmation #2072860. If I want to reopen I have 6 months to reopen with no fees. I can reopen within this time as if nothing happened."

Angus is doing the income taxes.

There is a guideline training with Deepa and Mike attending the morning training. It will be held on October 17th and 18th. Sheri - "I am not going to the PFC, I am going to the ASB." Mike - "We need to figure out the duplicate entries, it hasn't be done but able to reconcile the small entries."

V. Vice President/Fundraising - Riti

- A. Grants - Filled out form for Whole Foods. Also applied to Ross and Safeway for Garden Grant. Mike - "If you give me a dollar amount and the letter I will get it to Best Buy. What is the total amount that we would like? \$50,000?" Riti - "No, \$5,000." "The letter indicates the amounts for Academic Grants." Shazia - "You have to know what the amount is and exactly what it is for."
- B. Fremont Bank - Need help with Fremont Bank because I know they are giving \$3,000 to elementary schools. Shazia - "Fremont has been very good to us at no cost. Parent - "The month of October is the time for giving at most companies."
- C. Banners - Is it OK to put something in the Fallon Flash whether we can put banners up? Sheri - "We haven't wanted to put a lot of advertising in the Flash because it clutters it up." Barna - "Not to put each companies name on the flash but asking if they can ask if you want to donate money." Shazia - "Can say that if you are interested, contact Riti and we can create a guideline." Shazia - "Also, can you make sure you get money for the Food Trucks."

VI. Treasurer - Mike

- A. Monthly report - Things are slowly changing because we started writing checks and are starting to receive company matching. There is \$0 in the 8th Grade account because we decided not to collect this at registration. We will collect later. There is a bank charge of \$719 - credit card is processing. The legal tax expense will start soon. Teachers are using their stipend. We are trying to figure out how to get rid of the Paypal fee.

Total Expense - \$31,033.98

The biggest change is account #62500 which is the Academic Grant Account. Started writing a lot of checks to the teachers. Sheri - "What surprised me is when Laura King said we got the sheds behind the fitness room." Shazia - "We haven't written that check yet."

Sheri - "We need to send a letter out to the lead teachers so they can tell if there is anything they need so it can get approved. If you can print out the check request with payee I can figure it out."

VII. Communications - Barna

- A. Astronomy Night - **Is there anybody who can come out for Astronomy Night?** Lori - "I will be there." Sheri - "I am trying to find someone to be here because I cannot." Shazia - "Not enough time to get leadership here." Barna - "I need to make sure that the back gate is open so the trucks can come in. Mike - "I might be able to come." Barna - "It is from 6:45 - 9." Fong - "I will be there." Barna - "I will be at the blue tables."

VIII. Secretary - Tammy - See Agenda Item II

IX. Director of Volunteers - Lindy - No Report

X. Enrichment - Judi/Sangeeta

- A. Robotics Club - **Would like to have a Robotics Club at Fallon to help kids going to HS. When they go to the HS they are not eligible to join the club. We are a part of Stanford Bots and have taught nearly 600 kids. We are introducing a new program which is what engineers use to build robotics. We go thru the full curriculum from beginning to end and teach basics of electronics. It is a 10 week course 1 hour each time and is a very intense program. It is not associated with LEGO or any other company. Each child gets a kit to take home. The program fee includes the cost of the kit and material fees. Also it provides an online learning experience in addition to the classroom time. Cost is \$225.00 per student. Can handle 15 - 20 students per class.** Sheri - "We always try to keep the cost affordable to the student. Is it possible to reuse the equipment?" Parent - "No, we need every student to have the same brand new experience." Mike - "What about the kids who have parents that own everything including multi-meters. Can't you use that?" Parent - "These multi-meters are meant for smaller types of robotics and are specific to this program." Sheri - "The only reason I raised the question is to make programs very affordable and/or free and in some cases we already have some material costs but not this costly." Parent - "We wanted to introduce it this year and see how it goes. If we go lower in cost we will probably have to take it out of our own pockets."

XI. New Business & District Committee Updates

- A. Superintendents Meeting -9/14 - **Went to 1st Superintendent's meeting on September 14th. Some schools are doing a fireworks booth. How about**

Fallon? Each school gets \$500 if you volunteer during a certain tie. Sheri - "We did that in the past but it was very hard to find people to work it."

B. Wave event very successful.

C. Registration donation requests - Most PFCs did not do well this year, and Wells was particularly disappointed. Lori - "The letter sent out by Fallon made me feel like I didn't have a choice but to give. It is all in the presentation. Also there was a presence at Fallon with the PFC. Sheri - "The way the room is set up is also very important."

XII. Public Forum

Would like to help students for future jobs.

Adjourn: 8:18 PM