



Franklin at Alma Parent Organization

Agenda and Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2022

6:30-8:00 PM

Attendance:

X	Mollie Gardner – President
X	Maren Johnson – Vice President
X	Kerrin Kleinschmidt - Treasurer
X	Rachelle Mallory – Secretary
X	Chrystal Bulen
X	Peg Klinker
	Dana Chapman
X	Stan Chapman
X	Mrs. De Jesus
Visitors:	Kim Ernst, Kristi Weatherly, Chris Hill

Agenda:

- Welcome
- Pledge
- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes with Paradise Island dancers stricken as finalist for ice cream social entertainment.

Motion to Approve	Second	Pass/ Fail
Maren Johnson	Peg Klinker	Pass

- **Treasurer’s Report – Kerrin Kleinschmidt**
  - Approval of report

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT

Motion to Approve	Second	Pass/ Fail
Peg Klinker	Stan Champman	Pass

Principal Points – Mrs. de Jesus

- Website refresh initial stage shared with group. September 30<sup>th</sup> go live if all goes well.
- ECA funds for Yearbook Club
  - Traditionally the yearbook has been compiled by parents
  - This year the students (6<sup>th</sup> and possibly 5<sup>th</sup> grade will form the committee)
  - Will need a faculty member to serve as advisor.

Motion to allocate no more than \$1,600 stipend for faculty advisor for yearbook committee from ECA funds.

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- ECA funds for Girls on the Run



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- 3-4<sup>th</sup> grade girls running plus lessons related to empowerment.
- Requires head coach and 2 assistant coaches.

Motion to allocate no more than \$3,800 stipend for head coach and two assistant coaches for Girls on the Run from ECA funds.

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- ECA funds for Spelling Bee
  - \$175 entrance fee
  - Fee for writing a check

Motion to allocate up to \$182.50 for Spelling Bee from ECA funds.

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- Buddy Bench update
  - History of buddy bench project shared with group
    - Girl Scouts provided one bench and Dobson Ranch HOA provided one bench
  - Benches have been installed. Students are already using it.
  - Letter being sent to HOA with update and Girl Scout troop has been updated as well.

**School Requests**

- White Board Markers for music room
  - Mrs. de Jesus updated that an order was enroute to the school
- Play doh for kindergarten
  - Mrs. de Jesus updated that an order was enroute to the school.
- Large Band-Aids for the nurse’s office
  - Sign up genius being sent out to request items.
- Ice Vests for Aids
  - 3 ice vests were donated last year. One is effective. Staff would appreciate 2 more of the more effective version. Currently \$30 on Amazon.

Motion to allocate up to \$100 to cover costs for 2 ice vests for staff working outdoors from FPO funds.

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- 2 fans for classrooms when air conditioner issues come up.  
Donations being explored. Will discuss further in the future.

**Parent Concerns**

- School buses have been unreliable.
  - shortages in staffing when drivers are out, there is no one to fill in. Route has been combined which causes delays.



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- School is notified around 7-730. Mrs. de Jesus is training additional staff for sending out messages to make communication timely.
- Mrs. de Jesus is also reaching out to the bus barn to determine root cause of delays.

#### Committee Reports

- Teacher and Staff Appreciation
  - Monthly appreciation gifts are planned for the entire year.
  - List was sent out for the entire year.
  - Volunteers that did not respond have an opportunity to help with parent teacher conference baskets.
- Book Fair
  - Catalog for items that can be purchased with revenue is available.
  - Sign up genius was sent out. 30 hours of volunteer time was requested, 4 hours still need to be filled.
  - Book fair items will be delivered on September 14, 2022.
  - Book fair is next week during parent teacher conference (September 19-22)
- Arts & Letters
  - Mrs. de Jesus is sending out communication regarding dates and details.
  - Mrs. de Jesus provided a brief explanation of what the contest entails.
  - October 13<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for submissions.
  - October 24<sup>th</sup> through November 4<sup>th</sup> is the judging window.
  - Award ceremony November 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Movie Night
  - Discuss movie options. Student council will select movie.
    - Movie options will come out in an email vote.
  - Movie Night Food Vendors (slider presentation summary attached)
    - Took an initial vote to narrow down selections; board and non-board members allowed to vote.
      - Blue Tortilla- 5 votes
      - Fast Food Truck- eliminated as it presumed to be very similar to concession (vendor did not send a menu for review)
      - Bonsai Boys- 7 votes
      - Mr. Wonderful's Chicken and Waffles- 6 votes
- Winter Sing
  - Date-
  - Volunteer email response has been low. Signup genius may be sent out later.
  - Accompanist from last year has conflict- looking for replacement could be a parent volunteer; may need to reach out to the community.
- Vote Needed: Ice Cream Social Entertainment (slide presentation summary attached.)
  - Fushicho Daiko
  - Improv
  - The Circus Farm

Student council to vote on entertainment. Top parent choice "The Circus Farm".

#### Old Business

- Shirt Inventory
  - Some issue with ink on past order including cracking of printed area on specific shirt brand; company replaced faulty shirts.



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- Donation from shirt orders
  - \$37 donation to FPO
- Tabled for additional discussion regarding adding options to the website. Cost of adding items is \$10 per item.

**New Business**

- Volunteer of the Month- Alex Bowen will be presented with a \$25 IHOP gift certificate which was donated to FPO.
- Mother Daughter Night (Growth and Development discussion)
  - October 17<sup>th</sup> 6:30-7:30
- Food Drive
  - Vote Needed who we will work with for the drive.
    - United Food Bank
    - Arizona Brain Food

Motion to select Arizona Brain Food as the organization for fall food drive.

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- Vote Needed: Dress Code
  - Suggestion came from another Franklin school requesting a change to dress code. Per Franklin process, this proposal has been discussed in Principal Council as well as Presidents/ Vice Presidents council meetings. To move forward in discussion, majority of Franklin FPOs must agree to continue the process.
  - Continue discussion with other Franklin schools regarding proposal to allow bottoms to the knee or below for both genders or keep the dress code the same.
    - Current Rule: Boys-Long pants must start at the waist and be worn to the ankle. Girls-Long pants to the ankle. Skirts and dresses are acceptable. Dresses and skirts must be at least knee length.
    - Proposed rule: Bottoms knee length or below for both genders. (exact wording to be determined)

Motion to move forward with discussion for proposed change to dress code as initiated by Franklin East in accordance with Franklin process. (4 yes, 2 no)

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VOTING RESULTS			
Vote Type	Motion to Approve	Second	Pass/Fail
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Approval of Treasurer’s report	Peg Klinker	Stan Chapman	Pass



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Motion to adjourn	Maren Johnson	Stan Chapman	Pass

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
September 5, 2022	No School - Labor Day
September 13, 2022	FPO Meeting
September 16, 2022	12:45pm Early Release - End of the Grading Period
September 19-23, 2022	12:45pm Early Release - Parent Teacher Conferences
September 19-22, 2022	Book Fair
September 30, 2022	12:45pm Early Release - End of the 1st Quarter for Mesa Public Schools