

**Happy Valley Elementary School Parent Club Meeting
1/18/2023 6:30-7:30pm**

**Participants: Kirin, Lindsay, Jessica, Janette, Carly, Tricia,
Sarah, Carly, Alyssa, Martita, Alison,**

Minutes Recorded by: Janette Walker

1. Minutes from November approved.

Regarding the dissemination of room parent information, Janette will send bullet points by Friday for room parents to add to their monthly email update to parents.

2. Principal's Update - Michelle

School site council—Safety plan approved.

Michelle appreciates the parents' flexibility during the storms. Everyone was kind and appreciative of the hard decisions that needed to be made. The school had a lot of flooding in the back. Repairs are underway.

Question: Do we need any parent volunteers to help with flooding damage?

Answer: Maybe eventually, but for now professionals are working out there.

3. Financial Update - Martita

Our goal is to raise \$85k this year, for next year. We've raised \$41k so far to date.

Commitment Sheets: 15 Families (representing 21 students), have returned commitment sheets (\$16,310 to date). Our goal is \$40k through this funding stream. Martita will work with Lindsay and Kirin to prepare a mid-year fundraising update email to go out to all parents.

4. Running Club Update - Katy & Carly

Run Club just started a new session and the kids have already completed 53 miles. On April 16th, there will be another Field Day to work on the track. All families that have participated in Run Club this year are required to attend. There will be another Family Fun Day at Soquel High School on April 30th from 2 to 4:30.

5. Library – Email update from Lena

The book fair was a big success, Lena sends her gratitude for all of the help and a big thanks to Martita for tracking Venmo and issuing payment to Scholastic. Of the \$2,900 of books sold, half of that amount turns into money for the school to buy more books.

Michelle gives gratitude for Lena for doing the book fair. Next year there will be more notice, shorter open times and more books. Also, next year they will try to schedule the book fair during parent teacher conferences to increase parent access.

6. T-shirts update - Tricia

Tricia will order more and we will sell them at Open House if we have any left over.

7. Yearbook - Diana

Diana received more pictures after the QR code was sent out previously. She requests that the HVPC send it out again and ask specifically for pictures of school club activities, Halloween and Art and Music.

8. Read-A-Thon

Dates are Thursday, Feb 23 - Friday, March 3. The focus for funds raised this year will be the Garden/Outdoor Education Program.

Lindsay, Jess, Tricia and Lisa have had a good start for this year. The next thing to do is to send out a more detailed email to the teachers of the dates and asking for suggestions for speakers. Usually, the Friday at the end of the week, each class gets three readers that rotate around to each class. Last year teachers brought their pets. The kids liked that just as much. We might just do that again this year, since it is logistically more feasible.

Tricia and Jess will be asking for the same budget as last year, and will send the request via email for approval.

9. Other/Follow up from last meeting

- Ket Conway mural (to be revisited in the new year)
- Plant sale (new year)
- Water bottles (new year/spring)

10. Teacher Appreciation Week

May 8-12th. Friday lunch May 12th.

Next Meeting - Wednesday, February 15, 6:30 - 7:30

Meeting adjourned.