



NOELANI SCHOOL PTA November 11, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Meeting (via Zoom) called to order by President Dani Yafuso at **6:02 pm**.

PRESENT: The following officers and members, constituting a quorum, were present:

Officers: Danielle Yafuso, President
Stanford Togashi, Vice President
Alison Davidson, Secretary
Chris Shitagi, Treasurer

Members: Approximately 8+
Principal Gusman

October 20, 2021 MEETING MINUTES - shared by Vice President Stanford Togashi and APPROVED

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT made by Principal Gusman:

1. **Professional Collaboration Day** - held last Friday. Worked on two major things:
 - a. Assembled annual comprehensive needs assessment looking at: (i) demographic data; (ii) perceptual data (based on surveys); (iii) performance data (i.e., State test scores); and (iv) systems and processes.
 - Got through analysis of performance data – saw results of COVID. Identified areas where we need to support kids which will be reflected in academic plan.
 - b. Review of English Language Arts grade-level standards (“back to basics”)
2. **Vaccine Clinic scheduled for Wednesday 11/17/21**
 - a. Kaiser will be the provider; medical personnel will be on hand.
 - b. 2nd clinic will be held 12/8/21
 - c. About 70 students signed up; registration deadline extended to 11/13/21
 - d. As of now, DOE is not requiring vaccinations; parent consent required
 - e. In response to Stanford’s question on if kids who get vaccinated outside of the school clinic need to provide evidence to the school, Principal Gusman advised that it isn’t needed, school isn’t tracking this. Only time it would come up is if a child is exposed to COVID: if fully vaccinated, the child exposed but not showing any symptoms can remain in school.
3. **Reminders:**
 - a. Tardy policy (back to regular policy) – need to report to the office and get a tardy slip before going to class.
 - b. Geographic exceptions – needed if students move out of district. If already on a GE but move, just update address
 - c. Parent Handbook is updated and available on the website.
4. **Mahalo to Craft Fair Committee!**

TREASURER'S REPORT made by Chris Shitagi:

1. **Bank Account Balance as of 10/31/21**

\$103,993.29 Checking (Operating)

\$121,745.66 Savings

\$ 12,667.05 Free Business Checking (Amazon/Square Inc)

\$238,406.00 Total

OLD BUSINESS

1. **CRAFT FAIR:**

- a. Launched on Monday! Thanks to Michelle, Kristin and Toby!
- b. Request that everyone help spread the word about the virtual (online) craft fair to co-workers, family and friends. Don't need to purchase yourself, but spread the word
- c. Good variety of products, crafts, food vendors; Stanford shared online.
- d. Good opportunity to see if this is sustainable on a go-forward basis.
- e. As of today, \$4,200 in gross sales with 42 orders
- f. Additional Vendors to be added - Feast808, Girls Who Bake Next Door and 1 more crafter.
- g. Banner: can be created with room to swap in "PTA Meeting" other announcements.
- h. Question on Nabeya Maida – Microwavable Nabe Bowl – clarified that they are premade bowl that purchasers microwave at home.

2. **HTY EVENT** – family dinner and a movie

- a. HTY will provide a link to digital viewing of plays (PTA to pay for as family event)
- b. Dinner: Zippy's (can choose between various items) or Fukuya bento
- c. Possible push out to January 2022

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Screenagers Showing** – online screening of parenting video regarding kids and screen time.

- a. Issue on whether this should be limited to PTA members?
 - Maybe send google form to members only, then sent to everyone (non-members) space permitting, or maybe charge non-members a nominal (\$5) fee.
 - Email Dani with any thoughts about this. Goal is also to increase membership.

2. **Nominations for Next Year PTA Roles**

- a. Push for next-year's officers since we're approaching calendar year-end.
- b. Dani's view – lot of benefits of being on the PTA board, especially since we have a vested interest in the school.

3. **Jogathon** - Stanford is chair of event

- a. Stanford asking school about event details for this year.
- b. This is the largest donation for the year, event pays for PE program.
- c. Idea of not needing a separate t-shirt, use regular "Noelani" shirt.
- d. December meeting: discuss t-shirt idea, no need for prizes, etc.

4. **May Fair**

- a. Looking for event chair!

- b. If we can think of alternatives to traditional May Fair, can discuss with Principal Gusman (including possibility of no live spectators, but have kids performances recorded).
 - c. Possible use of square website (like craft fair).
 - d. Plan to check with Mika to see if she is interested in continuing to be involved with May Fair.
 - e. Lisa's comment – due to COVID, younger grade parents haven't been to a May Fair and don't have good working knowledge of how it works.
 - Dani's point – new people come with new ideas, so events can evolve. You can make it your own.
5. **Improve Perception of PTA** – in response to comments that PTA seems to be only about fundraising, looking for ways to give back to community. Difficult since with COVID, no ice cream social, trunk or treat,
- a. PTA needs to promote what we do more (push out messages via facebook, etc.).
 - b. If anyone has ideas/event PTA can focus on to give back, please let Dani know.
6. **Spirit Cards** – Stanford asked about possibility of doing Spirit Cards this year.
- a. Spirit Cards are credit-card sized card that costs \$10 to purchase, and has 16 businesses offering discounts (e.g., \$1 off Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf large drinks, Brug, Fendu, etc.). Stanford shared online photo of card.
 - b. School keeps \$5 per card. Collected \$ through square site.
 - c. Dana busy this year and can't chair, but happy to help share information and transition someone to take over.
 - d. Without a place to have cards picked-up, mailing costs cut into profits.
 - e. Difficult to spread word about sales.
 - f. If interested, need to check-in with Principal Gusman on how school feels about doing it.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:08 pm

Alison M. Davidson

Secretary, Noelani School PTA

December 9, 2021

Date of approval