

SANDBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOUNDATION MINUTES

January 26, 2009

6 PM

Board members in attendance: Rajy Abulhosn (President/Chairperson), Sarah Spear-Barrett, Angela Halpin, Patricia Beck, Corri-Anne Burgess, Jon Labaw, Laura Edwards, Holly Santiago-Hilley

Board members absent: Janine Miller

I. Approval of minutes from December Meeting -Approve as amended

II. Old Business/Action Items

- a. **Photography Fundraiser** : Laura has been in touch with Leon Noteware (Leoniiphotography.com) the photographer. He would designate one month to Sandburg and would donate 50% to the donation and anything over 25% plus cost of the product purchased. It's easier to let him do sittings himself and not designate a specific day. There was discussion about ideal timing, We will propose 2 months, ie May and October and we will put it in the newsletter, the bulletin board, and website link etc. We could create a vendor article in the newsletter for any vendor willing to give back to the Foundation. We would need some kind of written agreement, and we would need a line saying we don't endorse the business. Laura will follow up.
- b. **Escrip Transfer** : Rajy reported everything has been sent to escrip and it takes time to transfer accounts over.
- c. **Website Updates** : Corri will follow through on updates.
- d. **Information Board Update** : Corri recently updated Corrie will purchase supplies.
- e. **Onecause.com** : Laura nothing to report at this time.
- f. **Lego Enrichment Programs** : Rajy has not heard back about anything of substance that could be done during the day.
- g. **Electronics Recycling** : Sarah won't bring in enough money to make it worthwhile.
- h. **Storage of Reusable Bags** : Sarah reported that two plastic bins were purchased to hold them in the storage room. May need more, but we will keep an eye out for box damage.
- i. **Annual Giving Campaign**—we will run it in the fall. Everything must be in place by May so it's ready for distribution next fall.

III. Treasurer's Report—distributed. Purchased 4 large rugs for the library. Bank shows \$21,000 our report shows \$18,000 because some items haven't cleared (lap top, 5 more computers). Tiger dinner is taking care of projector/document camera and cart. We need to determine if we need to purchase bulbs for it. We received a box top check for \$657.84. We are keeping some money back to pay for library staffing for next year as well. The district is assisting with book purchases including requests from the teachers. They will already be library bound and coded. We will have "Donated by the Sandburg Foundation" as the screen savers for the computers.

Taxes were filed.

IV. Principal Comments/Issues—Laurie was unable to attend.

V. New Business

- a. **Spanish Classes** a parent has researched information on Spanish classes. One language institute that is doing this in Poway and Del Mar (Kids School Foreign Language Center). Classes of 10 students 2 hours/week. Intensive, total immersion idea. Laurie indicated that running an after school program through the district is \$250/day through the district. If a non-profit sponsoring, it's \$20/day. Right now the flyer is \$50/month. More research would be done about cost to us, can Foundation possibly subsidize the cost if enough money is raised? Or do we look into someone in our own community who could teach for less money and then it would cost less. More research will be done into this organization.
 - b. **Jog-a-Thon**—Angela reported Steve is working on the sponsorship letter. Steve is assuming people who helped last year would help again in the same areas this year.
 - c. **Take a Tiger to Dinner – 5th grade promotion committee**—just an FYI, we can suggest representatives contact Corri to coordinate dates.
 - d. **Library Committee/Literacy Consultant**—Debbie Molina was present. She has been very busy. Kids are ready to go. Debbie has lots and lots of ideas. Submitted article for the newsletter and she will have a continuing corner.
 - e. **Grant Form Requests**-we received a request from the nurse for water, but we believe PTA has funded this in the past and we believe approved money for water for this year.
 - f. **Board Positions/Presidency**—need to plan ahead for an April election. Rajy will update the letter used last year.
 - g. **Non-profit Foundations in Mira Mesa Area**—Rajy forwarded an email from the new council member, Jon volunteered to be the contact.
 - h. **Selling refreshments at Math Night – Feb 19**—Dad's club is sponsoring. Foundation will sell snacks and grocery bags. We will advertise by email. People will verify they are available to sell pizzas.
- Added agenda items**
- i. **Feb 12**—take a Tiger to Dinner at Fuddruckers
 - j. **Ideas for grant from qualcomm:** smart boards, computer, laptops for teachers, wireless, flash drives for kids to save projects.
 - k. Laura followed up on enrichment programs to help with substitute request we had earlier in the year. We will follow up with Laurie for other alternatives, and these programs had limitations due to timing and cost. The programs Laura found were geared for 1-2 classes at a time for maybe 1-2 hours. As a follow up it was noted that priorities were set with Laurie after these initial conversations, and priorities were set so we may not be able to fund this. We need a wish list of instructional library materials teachers need so we can estimate cost and possibilities.
 - l. High school student is doing a banner design.

Next Meeting – February 23rd, 6 pm, Sandburg Library