

**California Montessori Project ~ Carmichael  
Campus Advisory Council Minutes  
May 5, 2011**

**Attendance:**

**Council:**

- Kim Aldridge- Administrator- present
- Elizabeth Parks- Secretary (non-voting)- present
- Sierra Podva- Teacher Rep- present
- Darcy Flathmann-Teacher Rep-present
- Aimee Shearer- Parent Rep- present
- Greer Leake- Parent Rep-present

**Committee Chairs:**

- **Fundraising:** Patty Morgan-absent
- **Room Parent Coordinator:** Greer Leake /Melissa Horne-present
- Events:
  - **Spring Carnival:** Maggie Carmona-present
- **After School Enrichment:** Peggy Fitz- present

**Non-Council Attendees:** Gene and Denise Hagerty, Shauna Bird, Melissa Horne, Sara Wheeler, Sandy Donaldson, Jennifer Aldrich, Rachel Rivers.

<p><b>Schedule of Meetings / Hosts</b> <del>March 3: Patty, Melissa, Shannon</del> <del>No April meeting</del> May 5: Rachel &amp; Jen ~ <i>Thank you</i> June 2: Potluck</p>
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**Approve March Minutes:** approved via email

**Principal's Report:**

- **Burgundy & Gold Gala:** Fun event with all 6 campuses represented.
- **Facilities:** Negotiations in progress between Parks & Recreation and Laureate (at La Sierra); Gary also communicating with owner of current building. Should be able to make a decision next week and communicate to families the following week as long as we are assured that our requirements will be met.
- **Grant Writing Committee:** Newly formed: Valerie Olden with grant writing experience, Deidra Williams, previous director of communications with SJUSD, Leigh Bartoo (currently working on a gardening award).
- **ARRA Funds:** Elizabeth has worked with the mentors to order materials that may be missing to complete inventories. We also purchased more scanners for new Accelerated Math program.

**Finance Update:** Elizabeth Parks

- **Report of Balances:** see attached
- **Allocation of Funds:**
  - Elizabeth requested the remainder of the walk-a-thon funds to be moved to the bank float, as it is getting low do to NSF – **approved**
  - Peggy requesting \$100.00 for more griddles. Greer, Jeremy and Sandy are willing to donate griddles. Kim will advertise in the newsletter and have the teachers ask for donations for parent hours for two more.
  - \$250 needed for Spring Performance (separate funds from Band Shell rental) \$250.00 for Props for show – **approved** (use After School Enrichment funds)
  - \$300 for the remainder of payment for Band shell rental – **approved** (use After School Enrichment funds)
  - \$350 for Staff Student Planning Meetings– **approved**

- Discussion for use of Spring Carnival funds-Kim asked where we might want to use the funds. In the past it has been given per student to the classroom petty cash account for supplies. To be determined once we know where campus will be. **Table for June meeting.**

## **Committees Reports:**

- **Fundraising:**
  - See's very successful (Over \$7000 in orders - earned approximately \$3000). Spreadsheet in progress to determine how much each student earned to be applied to field trips, or to go classroom funds.
  - Peggy has set the book fairs for the 2011-2012 school-year.
- **Events:**
  - **Spring Carnival:** Maggie- Many new games!! Nose Picker game, Mini Golf game, Spin Wheel, Ping Pong toss, Water Gun Pong race, small bounce house for little people, and dunk tank!! Food booth is 100% donated. Raffle: classroom baskets, homemade face paint, Disneyland tickets, Great America tickets. Maggie asked if it might be possible to put some money back into the Spring Carnival for some upgrades on game. We need to find some misters and more easy-ups.
- **After School Enrichment:** Peggy- One parent has a person interested in teaching German. Peggy is looking into Spanish, keyboarding and other computer skills. Sherilyn Turton will do musical theatre, and Mrs. Duke will continue with piano.
- **Peer Mediation:** table to June meeting

## **Discussion Items:**

- **Uniform Policy for our Campus:** The student newspaper ran an article about their freedom of expression. Discussed changing free-dress to once per month like 3 other campuses. Committee felt it would not be a good idea to make any changes. Had a discussion about some "rites of passage" uniform differences for upper elementary like in MS (which has black too).
- **Live Scan & immunizations on campus at Meet & Greet?** – Group definitely agree to make this available, especially for our new families. Kim will investigate TB testing available.
- **Fundraiser at the Spring Show-** Peggy said we are not permitted by Parks & Rec. to sell anything without a permit.
- **Community Service:** Shauna Bird- discussed next year doing a community service project. Her thought was to go into the Middle School and get a focus group together to see what they might want to do. She would possibly also include the upper grades. Melissa Horne will look into some larger community service projects. Kim to inform teachers to get them together with Shauna.
- **CAC Members for next year:** We will be in need of two new members: 1 teacher rep and 1 parent rep. Darcy was the interim teacher rep when Susan went to Orangevale. Aimee has served her two years. Request from parents to run for parent spot will go out in newsletter.