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# Fammatre Home and School Club

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### **MINUTES**

Monday, May 30, 2019

7:00 p.m.

#### **Fammatre LIBRARY**

#### I. Welcome

- Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.
- Board Members Present: Alison Wortman, Teresa Calvert, Irena Gumbert, Katy Chen, Heather Harper
- Parents Present: 4

### II. Budget Update

- Revised draft Proposed Budget was reviewed by co-Treasurers Irena Gumbert and Katy Chen.
  - Changes basically encompass raising Revenue and lowering Expenses because the
    original proposed budget was not sustainable. This year HSC spent more by hosting
    more community (free) events, but we are unable to continue this spending.
  - The Revised 2019/20 Budget is to close the gap between the revenue and expenses.
  - o For REVENUE, the big changes were:
    - a) For GC, we increased expected revenue from \$50k to \$60k.
      - (1) We raised \$82k this year, but expect it to be lower next year as employers are reducing matching. Ie Apple reducing from 2:1 to 1:1, and Google 1:1 to 1: 0.75% and some families that have given \$10k in the past have had employment changes and are unable to continue such contributions.
    - b) Family Dinner Nights reduced from \$1500 to \$1200
    - c) Monster Boogie Bash will continue as a fundraiser.
    - d) For Walkathon, we increased expected revenue from \$26k to \$46k, but also increased costs to \$10k.
    - e) Family Dance, we increased expected revenue to \$4k rather than being a free event.
  - For EXPENSES, the big changes were:
    - a) Art Vista reduced from \$15k to \$13k
    - b) In class Starting Arts, \$10k
    - c) Curriculum Support, \$15k classroom materials, social emotional curriculum
    - d) Living lab, reduced from \$5k to \$3k. We have no coordinator and no plans. If someone will take it on, and wants more money, we can request membership to approve more funds.
    - e) STEAM event costs went down as we have leftover supplies from this year's event.
    - f) Technology reduced as we have bought forward, reduced from \$15k to 3k.

- g) Assemblies at \$5k
- h) Complete Participation (CP) scholarship program
- i) Teacher appreciation has increased from \$2k to \$4k.
- j) Project Cornerstone has increased.
- k) Bank charges reduced as costs will be assigned to each fundraiser.
  - (1) Bank fees decreased from \$1500 to \$100.
- l) MySchoolAnywhere, online communication platform registration fee has not been renewed (\$500/year) as we do not have a coordinator.
- Based on Original Proposed Budget, we would have a deficit of \$69,830 at end of next year, which is not sustainable and would leave \$36,846 in the bank to start the following school year, which is not recommended.
- Based on the revised Proposed Budget, we would have a much lower deficit at \$14,380 and therefore leave \$92,296 at the end of the 2019-2020 school year.
- While funds are allocated for the Marquee, we still do not have electrical information from the DO. Thus, we are doubtful that it will proceed this summer.
- Regarding replacement of stage curtains, the quote has come in a lot higher, and it did not include installation costs. The curtain track is no longer up to code and needs to be replaced (from wood to metal). Alison is working with the DO in an effort to get the rod replaced so that we can proceed with the curtains.
- Once our savings and checking total of \$229,176 is reduced by the expenses expected through 6/30/19 of \$71,000 [Chromebooks for \$25k, Art Vista for \$10k, Teacher discretionary, Walkathon, Makerspace stipend], Marquee for \$40k, and curtains for \$11,500, we will have \$106,676 in the bank.
- Our strategy is to keep at least 50% of the projected spend in reserve to cover net operating cost of the following school year. Assume continued issues with funding from the DO due to low enrollment and teacher negotiations. Assume lower matching from employers, somewhat weaker economy.
- Next year, if HSC Board comes back saying more money is needed, we can vote again. A survey was circulated in the past, and we increased the budget. However, funds were not spent in their entirety because we did not have enough coordinators.
- Discussion on why Technology was reduced from \$15k to \$3k. We are completely up to date with Chromebooks. Screens in classrooms are current. Not foreseeing any costs for technology. Majority of chromebooks needed to be replaced. Apps or software also funded from LCAP. Tech task force recommended 2:1, and we are 1:1. Teachers do not want anything taken away from current ratio; it is never bad to be above average recommended. Some schools need major updating. Another tech task force will occur in 3-4 yrs. Recent Chromebook cost was 65k, Principal MacFarland used \$40k and we paid \$25k.
- Discussion on Membership concern for funding wish lists. Wishlist items include with Back playground, insufficient chairs in cafeteria, sun shades for playgrounds, new tricycles/shed, tables by KA/KB. We have recently had WAT/GC fundraise with specific goals, which seems to be helpful.
  - Smaller projects go on list by grade level utilizing Teacher Discretionary Funds.
     Some teachers spend all of their money, some don't spend. Ie replacement of book bags. If it's a teacher request, it should go to principal.
- Discussion on making concerted effort to communicate what HSC covers and what it does
  not. We can't pay for people, but we have 2 stipends. We can pay for vendors, but not
  employees. Document online where we spend funds, perhaps utilize infographic.

- We can't pay for aides, resource, language due to union/benefits/taxes/workers' comp we can't be an employer.
- Smaller projects go on list for their grade teacher discretionary funds. Some teachers spend all of their money, some don't spend. Ie replacement of book bags. If it's a teacher request, it should go to principal.
- Discussion on Teacher appreciation budget while we are proposing to increase from \$2k to \$4k, teachers still pay \$50/each for a Sunshine Fund to cover baby showers, retirement cakes. Request made that HSC cover this cost. Note that water cooler in Staff Lounge is paid by Principal MacFarland. Mrs. Perry also gathering costs that are spent on cleaning supplies, etc. Request made for the Teacher appreciation budget to be tripled or \$6k.
- Discussion on school water fountains and need for replacement of filters. Unsure if DO will be replacing OR school site budget. NEED to have those replaced.
- Discussion on school supplies being purchased by HSC Funds for next year, but ultimately
  will be Principal Smith's decision as it comes out of her LCAP budget for teacher support.

#### VI. Announcements

- 1. Monday is a big HSC meeting where the proposed 2019-20 Budget will be presented and put to a vote, together with HSC Board for 2019-20.
- 2. Price Middle School Vice Principal and HSC President will be in attendance.

#### VII. Closing Comments

- Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm.

## Next Meeting: Monday June 3, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

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