

Orange Grove General FFO Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 16, at 8:30 a.m.

Present via Zoom: Jeannette Hartshorne, Dayna Anderson, Mark Rubin-Toles, Leslie Beckett, Teresa Sommers, Liz Doak, Tracy Rea, Barbie Chang, Alex Mastrangelo, Carole Siegler, Eileen Jackson, Debbie Anderson, Eileen Pastorious, Jamilyn Craig, Jen Peters, Jennifer Dessent, Susan Wright, Kate Spaulding, Karin Fiore, Erin Toponce, Nina, Jill Tronziger, Amy Courson, Deborah Ardolino, Tanya Martin, Ann Lee, Carleen, Roxan Olivas

Meeting called to order by President Alex Mastrangelo at 8:34am.

Welcome Governing Board Members: Carole Siegler, and Eileen Jackson

Principal's Update: Mr. Rubin-Toles

- We are already past the mid-point of 1st quarter, which ends on Oct 8th. The first full-week Fall Break that many are looking forward to is then.
- Parent-teacher conferences will be during the week of Oct 27 and 28. The current plan is to have them remotely for now following the current mitigation plan. Some time in the next 3 weeks, parents will be able to pick an appointment time for each of their students' teachers. These are 10 minute short conversations to check in, with the expectation for students to be there, too. Anything else needing a longer problem solving session can be scheduled later with the teacher.
- ZAP is in full swing. There have been some strong results this year. 84% of students have turned in 90% or more of their work which is fantastic and 42% have turned in 100% of their work. OG wants to acknowledge the hard work that kids are doing and the parents helping to make this possible. Once kids are able to get back on track with assignments, then teachers can segregate out the work and learning problems and try to target proficiency more distinctly to prepare the kids for high school.
- PBIS is continuing at OG. Hopefully most students have received orange tickets that are just symbols that a conversation with an adult recognizing positive behaviors has taken place. Students can use the tickets to vote to build community and express their voice.
- Parent question: Missing assignment turned in after an absence but still getting ZAP emails. How to opt out of those emails? Answer: Next week teachers will enter all that info by Wed. evening to make sure all updated work is noted so there is clean data for ZAP notices that go out on Thursday. Parents may still get an alert, but will know it's due to absence and ok. Kids can show the work when checked into ZAP if already completed.

Executive Team Updates:

- President: Alex Mastrangelo - Chairs will get an email asking for any report/update to share prior to general meeting to shorten the agenda to only what is needed. Every month the link and agenda will then be sent out prior to the meeting.
- Treasurer: Jeannette Hartshorne - Budget report was shared in the chat.
 - Income: \$32,967.88 - This month income included Chipotle dine out \$490, CustomInk Spirit Wear \$340, and shade structure donations \$5,700.
 - Expenses: \$6,709.73 - This month was mainly staff appreciation and teacher support. Grant payment is coming up to fulfill as well as PE uniform invoice \$1,900 from reorder.
- Panther Pride Direct Donations: Dayna Anderson - Current update is exciting. OG lost huge shade trees out front after the storms. Pictures of fallen trees and students waiting at

pick up was shared on screen as well as a rendering of proposed new shade structure. A Grant by Mr. RT is going to the district to hopefully help with this project. As soon as funding is in place, then the structure out front could be up in 8-12 weeks. Thankful for everyone whose been supporting the school with these projects. First incentive for prime parking lot space has been given to Dave Dwyer for his \$2,500 donation. Two more spots are still available. Feel free to share the donation link with your network.

- Grants: Barbie Chang - One grant to consider today is a continuation of the grant approved at last month's meeting. The World Language department global library originally was approved for up to \$600, but the department was able to find and purchase more books than they originally thought so they spent \$720. They are requesting an additional amount of \$120 to cover the difference for new material they found to include. The change now allows for each classroom to have its own full standing library instead of one rotating among the whole department. With reading being a great tool for language, Mr. RT encouraged this spending.
 - Moved and approved to accept the additional \$120 Grant request.
- Secretary: Leslie Beckett - Please rename Zoom account with first and last name for attendance purposes. Monthly newsletter has gone out, and if you are not receiving it and would like to you can self-subscribe on the FFO website.

General Business

- Approve minutes – August minutes shared in chat.
 - Moved and approved to accept the August 2021 meeting minutes.
- Special Project Discussion - New Shade Sail for Pickup Area: Previous shade structure last year was for more outdoor seating areas during the pandemic for eating and protection from sun while learning too. Positive feedback from the community about it was strong. This year was supposed to be an easier year with one big project every couple years (not during a Color Run year), but the unexpected storm created this big project need again. Share the donate link. The sooner we get the funding, the sooner the project can get underway.
- Committee Chair Updates and Introductions:
 - PE Uniforms/Spirit Wear: Leslie Beckett -
 - Backordered PE uniforms have come in and were distributed to students this week. If you ordered an out of stock item and still have not received it, please go to the front office or email Leslie if you have any questions. There is new supply for most items if students still need them, but PE classes are still not changing out yet.
 - Spirit Wear came in and was distributed on Wednesday. If you haven't received yet you can check the front office or email Leslie with any questions.
 - Staff Appreciation: Teresa Sommers and Tracy Rea - The committee is hoping to do a meal for teachers around conference time in October. For September they are looking into a popcorn treat from a local business.
- CFSD Foundation: Roxan Olivas - Roxan explained the Foundation which is for attracting, retaining, and providing supplemental funds for teachers in the district. \$150K is the usual

goal that they were able to meet last year, and so far they are on track for this year. The foundation is also responsible for Teacher of the Year (TOY) which will also be underway soon; submissions will start in the next few weeks. The big fundraising event is usually Tapas for Teachers but not with COVID-19 these past couple years. Instead some other smaller fundraiser is being planned. A major outreach happens for end of the year giving. Please share with your networks.

Upcoming Events:

- Oct. 6th: Grading Day - half day, no late start
- Oct. 11th- 15th: Fall Break
- Oct. 21st: FFO Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:08am.