

OG FFO General Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2022

Present in person: Kate Spaulding, Jeannette Hartshorne, Karin Fiore, Dayna Anderson, Mark Rubin-Toles, Mary Franco, Roxan Olivas, Necoie Otto-Parkinson, Teresa Sommers, Stephanie Allen, Jen Peters, Violeta Dominguez, Jill Tronziger, Patricia MacCorquodale, Peter Hughes, Anjala Matalone, Jennifer Morgan, Tracy Rea, Suzie Stadheim, Jennifer Yau, Sharon Rogers, Jessica Lyon, Mary Grodman, Ann Lee.

Present via Zoom: Susan Wright, Carol Siegler, Lisa Robinson, Melissa Lazarevic, Lil Schwartz

Meeting called to order at 8:45am (following Parent Education Presentation by the AZ Attorney General's Office on Suicide Prevention)

1. Principal's Report (Mark Rubin-Toles)

- Parents are encouraged to ask their student about Grade Tracker. Students are tracking their grades monthly during Advisor Base, setting goals and identifying any obstacles to meeting goals.
- ZAP (Zeros Are Preventable) - Students needing to attend ZAP will get support so they do not fall behind. Wednesday morning sessions are being held with peer tutors as well as adult help.
- Friday School is also available for students (by invitation only) to get extra help.
- Advisor Base classes have each adopted a space on campus and seasonal decorations have been popping up. The Advisor Base classes will have another competition where students create a social media clip.
- Students are with their same Advisor Base teacher for three years so they are able to build a relationship with them. We believe that students at OG feel seen, heard and have someone to go to if they need to talk.
- Mary Franco talked about the PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Support) System at Orange Grove now that it is in its 4th year of implementation.
 - Tier 1 Level: This involves having set expectations for Responsible, Respectful and Compassionate behavior in every area of the school. Students receive Positive Panther tickets when they are seen showing these positive behaviors. Tickets are then used to vote! Upcoming vote is between field day and a teacher vs. student competition.
 - Tier 1 Level also includes monthly staff meetings to discuss discipline management. Data is analyzed for trends and then used to tackle issues and come up with solutions that can be implemented either school wide (in Advisor Base) or in targeted groups (example: 7th grade boys).
 - Tier 2 Level: Provides additional support to students when needed. This includes peer tutors, check-ins/check-outs, coaching on specific habits, ZAP and Friday school. Escalation to Tier 3 support if needed.
- Special Project: Mr. Rubin-Toles shared that the current number scheme for the buildings around campus do not make sense and usually result in people feeling lost. The school has received approval to renumber the buildings and will be adding an additional building with five classrooms this summer. In addition, the buildings are not easy to identify. The special project will be to create new signs for all the buildings! The signs will have a consistent look but each with an artistic border that students have the opportunity to design. The student art contest for

the signs is open to all students with the top 10 entries being selected. The FFO will be raising money to help with the cost. The signs will be a lasting legacy and way to highlight student work.

2. Executive Reports

- VP Fundraising (Kate for Dayna Anderson)
 - The OG parking lot runs extremely well and as a result we have restructured how the Parking Space is used. A donation of any amount qualifies for a chance to have your name drawn for the Parking Space. You can enter each month and it resets every month. Details were sent out in the newsletter.
- President (Kate Spaulding)
 - No business to report. LOVE all our volunteers!
- Treasurer (Jeannette Hartshorne)
 - Received money from El Charro dine-out. Thank you! Chipotle will be coming in soon. Yesterday's dine-out at Mod Pizza was well attended.
 - Panther Pride - over half way. This is our main income that funds all our events and programs.
 - Book fair was successful and comes to us in scholastic dollars.
 - \$19,380.08 is current income, \$13,324.93 are current expenses. We are continuing to process staff reimbursements and help with staff appreciation.
 - Suggestion was made by a parent to consider using the school's marquee sign to fundraise. Could be used for Happy Birthday messages. This is being done at the high school.
- Grants (Kate for Barbie Chang)
 - No new grants.
- DFFO (Kate for Michelle Ijams)
 - All CFSD schools received an A letter grade!
 - Open enrollment is happening and needs to be done by Jan 31. In district families also still need to enroll! This is important so the district knows how many teachers are needed.
 - Teacher of the Year nominations are open through Nov 30. All teachers will know if they have been nominated.
- Secretary (Karin Fiore)
 - Motion: to approve minutes from last FFO meeting on October 20, 2022. Motion second and approved.

3. General Business

- Bookfair
 - Very successful in terms of sales. Did not have enough volunteers, was hard to get help during parent teacher conferences. Scholastic funds can be used for anything scholastic and committee chairs will distribute the dollars to all the teachers and the library.
- Student Action Committee
 - Sandwich making is being planned for the Spring, date has not yet been set. Would like volunteers.
 - Discussion are happening about hosting a clothing drive.
- Community Schools (Mary Grodman)

- Quarter 3 is Jan 3 - March 10. Brochure will be coming in email. Enrichment registration opens Monday, Dec 12. Athletic registration opens Tues, Dec 13.
- Coaches are needed for Boys Soccer at OG. Contact Ms.Christensen if interested.
- Mary Grodman will be teaching Explore the Outdoors, which is a 3 week class.
- Quarter 2 will end Dec 9. Study Hall, Babysitting and CPR are still being offered.
- Winter Break Programs include going to Picacho Peak, Tombstone, and Hiking Madera Canyon.
- Year Books can be ordered through Community Schools. Reduced rate is available through Dec 31.
- Family Support (Suzie Stadheim)
 - Family support provides support for families at OG. Grocery store gift cards and gas gift cards are needed. Cards can be dropped off in the office in an envelope labeled Family Support. Money donations can be made to Suzie through Venmo or Zelle. If anyone wants to receive notifications of needs throughout the year you can be added to the e-mail list.
- End of the Year Giving
 - FFO donations are tax deductible which is different than Tax Credit donation.
- Staff Appreciation (Teresa Sommers)
 - This month snacks and drinks were provided to the staff.
 - Dec 14th will be a staff lunch. Sign-up will include crock pot soups, desserts and sides.
- FFO Meeting Snacks
 - Thanks to those who brought treats to the meeting today!

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting, Jan 19th. (No meeting in December)