

PTA Meeting Minutes

Candalaria Elementary School Virtual Meeting via ZOOM
February 2nd, 2021

Meeting brought to order by Suzie Phelps @ 6:31 PM, followed by introductions of board and all people in attendance.

Attendance: Suzie Phelps, Brian Turner, Steve Nass, Lauren Carlson, David Anzur, Joanna Forsythe, Desiree Richardson, Annie Marges, Janice Schiedler, Annie Gorsley, Rebecca Arce, Jonathan Jasinski, Genny Fredrickson, Jen Tweed, Natalie Jasinski, Eileen Gilbert, Melissa Witkow, Yuliana Kenfield, Annie Gorski, Mary Sterling, Larissa Dozier, Sina Zimmerman, Ruth Falby, Sarah Easton

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Approval of Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Principal's Report
- Committee Chair Reports
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Announcements

1. Approval of minutes

The meeting minutes from 12/1/20 were reviewed and approved.

2. Treasurer's Report/Budget Review

- Starting budget \$53,000. Current balance approximately \$48,700.
- There was a lot of discussion on the money available for teachers (\$8,400 has been allotted, of which 10% has been used).
- It was determined that we will pause spending money on capital projects involving changing/updating any exterior features of the school until after the bond work is completed over the summer.

3. Principal's Report

- Our target goal is to have K-5 return by March 16th, 2021. There will be additional information coming from the district and Principal Turner in the coming days.
- Salem-Keizer School District has decided to forego Outdoor School this year.
- There will be a cohort model Tuesday/Thursday or Wednesday/Friday. There must be 35 sq ft per student. Ready School- Safe Learners program is guiding some of the decision making which state that a cohort cannot be more than 100 people. Monday will be a

PTA Meeting Minutes

Candalaria Elementary School Virtual Meeting via ZOOM
February 2nd, 2021

student support day as it has been in CDL. There will be 2 days per week of active instruction. The days will be essentially full-length days.

- Principal Turner is working with the YMCA to provide childcare for Candalaria families.
- There was a question about the availability of data regarding vaccination rate among staff.
- Outdoor events may be a possibility in the cohort model.
- It is unknown whether children will need to bring Chromebooks to and from school, but it seems likely for state testing and other tasks.
- Children will be required to wear masks outdoors at recess as well. There will also be an effort to be outside as much as possible.
- Volunteers and meetings may be able to happen outside.
- There will be a process for notification if a cohort member tested positive for COVID-19 or had an exposure. Some of these decisions and processes will be determined by a team, including a school nurse.
- Parents who have chosen to homeschool or have enrolled in EDGE may return to in person learning. However, they need to contact Principal Turner to coordinate this.
- There are 164 requirements that must be met prior to a student stepping foot into school for in-person learning. These requirements are meant to serve as safeguards and mitigate risks associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.

4. Committee Chair Reports

- Memory Books (Jonathan Jasinski)- Memory books from 2019-2020 are completed and will be distributed once school is back in session. There was discussion about a 2020-2021 Memory Book and what that may look like (virtual, traditional, Zoom class screenshots, written student expression, etc). There was also concern about limited participation and representation of the student body. Please send ideas to Jonathan Jasinski. He would also appreciate help on this project.
- 4th/5th Grade Committee (Larissa Dozier and Annie Marges)- No outdoor school this year. Per Principal Turner, there may be an opportunity for outdoor events to honor the 5th graders.
- Funds Run (Genny Fredrickson). We are tentatively planning for a funds run, but it will likely look different this year. More details to be determined as we transition to in-person learning.

5. Unfinished Business

- No updates at this time. There are still several board positions that remain open including Vice President, Auction Committee Chair, and Talent Show Chair.

PTA Meeting Minutes

Candalaria Elementary School Virtual Meeting via ZOOM
February 2nd, 2021

6. New Business

- No new business items discussed other than the above reports.

7. Announcements

- Find and follow us on Facebook or bookmark our webpage to stay current on information. <https://www.facebook.com/candalariapta>
- Don't forget, even if you were a PTA member last year, it is a yearly renewal. You can sign up or renew your membership online now!
- Our next meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 2nd at 6:30 pm via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM.