

## **Brea Country Hills PTA Minutes October 3, 2017**

Melinda Gutierrez called the Association meeting of Country Hills PTA to order at 7:00 PM in the MPR at Country Hills Elementary School.

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introductions

### **Principal's Report: Mrs Wash-School Principal**

- Going over school goals, objectives, and individual teacher goals
- Cyber Safety week is next week with Common Sense Media
- Growth mindset assembly is was on Monday, Oct 2nd.
- October 19th is the Great California Shakeout, and we need parent volunteers to role play.
- Disaster drills will be randomly held each month.

### **Teacher Representative(s): Mrs. Schoenig (primary grades), Mrs. Thomas filling in for Mrs. Seidl (upper grades)**

- A very big Thank you for the hospitality lunch (Corner Bakery).
- Field trip for 2nd graders to the Environmental Center, and the Firehouse for 1st graders
- Implementing the new ELA adoption called Benchmark Advanced. This is where the teachers formally and informally discuss the unit/lessons to try to coordinate the planning of the lessons and to make sure we are teaching all the parts.
- Growth mindset assembly where they are taught to add the word "yet" at the end.
- Kindness activities to do something nice every day.
- Miss Polichetti starting on the Robotics program.
- Garden received a very nice overhaul thanks to Mr. Forslund's 6th graders and Mrs. Chute's TKers.

### **Minutes from September PTA meeting**

- Minutes from September PTA meeting approved as read.

### **Treasurer: (Lindy Hunhoff)**

- September Ending balance of \$8,891.62. Deana Miller motioned to ratify check #2427 to check number 2446 with the exception of check number 2444 in total of \$20,484.00. Natalie Lau Second.

### **President: Melinda (Melinda Gutierrez)**

- PTA Council Meeting Update--We are doing a fantastic job with membership.
- Please be careful as there are very sophisticated Email scams going around. They will email from President and Treasurer requesting to wire money.
  - PTA NEVER wires any money at any time. Please report all false emails immediately.

- Mrs. May's son was involved in a serious car accident, and Mrs. Buys niece was a victim in the Las Vegas mass shooting. Go Fund Me pages have been set up and PTA would like to donate \$50 to each. Natalie Lau motioned to approve expense, and Mrs. Chute Second.
- Committee Chair Update
  - Christina & Kavita are now in charge of Art Masters.

### **1st VP Membership- Mrs. Chute and Natalie Lau**

- We reached and surpassed our PTA membership goal with over 100% membership. The entire school will receive a popsicle party.
- Mrs. Raish's class was the first class to have 100% membership; reaching that mark in 1 day. They had an ice cream party.

### **2nd VP Way and Means ( Bubble Run) and 4th VP Ways and Means Treasurer**

- Bubble run packets went home with students
  - Please join Pledge Star on social media to simplify donation process.
- Shirt order forms are due Friday October 6th by 3pm and shirt size samples are located in office.

### **3rd VP Programs- Jodi not present (Melinda filled in)**

- The assemblies have been great and there is one coming up on Bullying on November 3rd called Bully Game. This is an interactive game show style assembly that talks about bullying.

### **Recording Secretary-Chris**

- Received 2 Thank you cards from all the teachers thanking PTA for the Hospitality Lunch.

### **Committee Reports**

- **Hospitality ( Jessie)**
  - The Hospitality lunch went very well and all the teachers loved it. The timing was also perfect being the day after back to school night.
- **Reflections( Nina)- Not Present**
- **Spirit Wear ( Stacey & Kim)- Not Present**
- **Community Promotions (Natalie & Courtney)**
  - November 1st is the first date where we have to submit all Box Tops.
  - Top Classes for this month was a tie between Mrs.Rojas and Mrs. Kresse- they will receive a popsicle party.
  - Jesus Oviedo was top student.
  - Please remember to only submit Box Tops with valid dates that are clearly visible otherwise they will not count.
- **Red Ribbon Week ( Kendee)- Not present but flyer is being approved this week.**

### **Art Masters ( Christina & Kavita)**

- Still need more parent volunteers.
- There will be a parent assembly on 10/31 that will go over program.
- First Student Assembly is November 1st.

### **Announcements**

#### October

- 3:PTA Meeting at 7pm in MPR
- 16-20: Red Ribbon week
- 23-27: School Conference Week & Book Fair
- 25: Reflections Art Contest deadline
- 27: Flag Ceremony and Bubble Run
- 31: Halloween Parade

#### November

- 1: Art Masters Assembly #1
- 3: Bullying Game Assembly and Father/Son Football night
- 7: PTA Meeting at 7pm in MPR
- 10: Veterans Day ( NO SCHOOL)
- 17: Flag Ceremony
- 20-24: Thanksgiving Break (NO SCHOOL)
- 30: Bubble Run Prize Day

### **PTA TIPS**

Painters tape is the only tape allowed when hanging posters. Rolls are kept in the back of the PTA crate in the copy room

Copy Room- Teachers and Staff take priority

All flyers need approval by Mrs. Walsh and Melinda Gutierrez before being published

All cash must be counted at school and remain in the office

Warrants ( reimbursement forms) are located in the PTA crate in the copy room

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:31 pm**