

# El Toro Home & School Club

## meeting notes

Date: February 9, 2021

Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Attendees: Darren McDonald, Melissa Scatena, Tanya Jones, Nikkie Underhill, Anthony Chavez, Dawn Caruso, Danielle Dunio, Ryan Treffers, Amaris Coffman, Lisa Miceli, Viki Neill, Emily Carr, Christa Nielsen, Erica Castillo, Tessa Guajardo, Kenny Kern, Olivia Venneman, Biranda Melendez, Danna Christensen, Sonya Johnson (names recorded from Zoom ID)

### Discussion items

- 1) **Call to order:** Tanya Jones called the meeting to order at 6:34pm
- 2) **Approval of last meeting minutes:** Emily Carr motioned to approve minutes from last meeting; Viki Neill seconded the motion
- 3) **President's Report:**
  - a) **Spring Trimester Teacher Grants:** Home & School Club wanted to ensure the money raised this school year is used for student's in this year. Therefore, each teacher will receive a \$250 grant towards an enrichment project of their choice for their students in the 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester.
  - b) **Virtual Book Fair:** Our book fair goes virtual this year! March 15-28 families will be able to tour an online book fair to purchase books to be delivered directly to their homes. 25% of the proceeds will be provided to the school in Scholastic Dollars. Teachers can then use those dollars to purchase needed items for their classrooms. Wishlists will be created by teachers for students to purchase as well. Further details to be communicated closer to the event.
- 4) **Principal's Report:**
  - a) **Summary of update:** The school reopening date of March 22<sup>nd</sup> is a target date, but many protocols and conditions need to be met prior to any reopening considerations. Teacher vaccines need to be available; Santa Clara County needs to be in a red-tier status, considerations for food and transportation, etc. Mr. McDonald is not willing to switch students around to new teachers at this point in the year as it is not fair to students or teachers. He pledges, as all El Toro does, to be respectful, responsible and safe throughout all reopening decisions.
- 5) **Teacher's Report:**
  - a) **Summary of update:** Thank you for the opportunity with the project-based learning grants for 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester. 5<sup>th</sup> graders were engaged in virtual science camp held last week.
  - b) **Yearbook:** See's Candy fundraiser a great success with over \$1500 raised (~25% of \$6000 worth of candy). Currently \$3600 funded for yearbook with a total cost of \$5100 for a yearbook for each student. Upcoming fundraiser at Chipotle on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 30% of proceeds

will go towards El Toro Yearbook. Spirit week being planned for students to take pictures based on themed days for Yearbook.

**6) Old Business:**

a) **Spirit Wear:** masks available - order online for delivery during packet pick up days

**7) New Business**

a) **Music & Choir began in January:** videos shown each week teaching music; choir now has 33 members and meet over Zoom on Thursdays after school.

**8) Upcoming Dates:**

a) **Packet pick up:** 2/12

b) **Winter break:** 2/15 - 2/19

c) **Chipotle Foodraiser:** 3/3

d) **Virtual Book Fair:** 3/15 - 3/28

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, February 9, 6:30pm**