



**10/2/2018 Board Meeting
7pm-8:00pm
Montera Library**

Call to order: Meeting called to order by PTO President, Jeni Paltiel.
6 members present. Quorum is 4. Quorum is met.

1. Outreach (Kat)

- Kat attended a prospective families event at Thornhill last Sunday night with Mr. Avent and a student panel.
- There are 119 people signed up for the Prospective Families Night 10/25. Board members are encouraged to attend.
- There are 11 people signed up so far for the mixer on 10/10. Dr. Williams, Dunia and Jeni will be there.
- The first date for tours is full.
- The school website has been updated with prospective family info.
- Kat gave the dates to OUSD to post on their calendar as well.

2. Mini-grants (Elisa and Laura)

The Mini-grants Committee (Elisa, Laura, Ken, Jeni) approved the following Mini-grants at the 10/1 Committee Meeting. Great Good Place for Books Fundraising Event planned again this year to meet book requests that weren't funded. Not able to fund salsa dancing teacher for Spanish class. Plan to put request for teacher out via e-bulletin. Motion to approve the Fall 2018-2019 Mini-grants was approved without further discussion.

Ms. Baker - \$600*

Funds for the Montera gardens

*($\$300$ from facilities budget and $\$300$ from mini-grants budget)

Ms. Berger - \$500

8th grade Berkeley Rep field trip (costs to cover those students who cannot afford the ticket price)

Ms. Bruin - \$150

Support for the ASIP program - excursions and activities

Ms. Howard & Ms. English - \$450

Creation of the Toro Reading Club - reading intervention program

Ms. Mayorga - \$500

Purchase of Spanish language books

Ms. Quintanilla - \$130

Sensory tools for Moderate Special Day Class

Ms. Riback - \$250

Creation of a lunchtime cooking club

Ms. Rogers - \$210

Purchase of a rolling whiteboard for the Library

Ms. Saephan - \$500

Purchase of a Cricut machine to create positive message to be displayed around school

Ms. Walton - \$400

Art materials (lumber) and art books

Ms. Wilder - \$478

Cheer and Dance team uniforms

Total - \$3,868

3. Fall Fest Update (Jeni)

Julia Russotti, a Montera mom and professional event planner, is the Fall Fest lead. She's friends with parent who has been lead the past few years. Planning meeting scheduled for 10/4 at Duvin on Thornhill.

4. Ride for a Reason Update (Jeni)

The R4R board officially approved Montera to participate at their meeting 9/27. Chad Stone and Pat Walsh will be our school's leaders. The event takes places in April 2019. Last year's event raised \$19,000 for each participating school. We will be expected to provide riders (who get sponsors) and volunteers.

5. October General Meeting Plans (Jeni)

Our PTO general meeting 10/17 will be High School Information Night - Oakland Tech, Oakland High and Skyline will present.

6. Sports budget/funding report (Dunia):

See handout. OAL funding cuts due OUSD budget cuts are affecting middle schools. Request to fund 6th grade boys' basketball team to meet demand/interest. Currently not budgeted for 2018-2019, so not able to approve. Discussion/brainstorming around fundraising ideas. Reassess need/ability to increase sports budget next year during spring budget planning.

Rummage sale for sports fundraiser planned in conjunction with Fall Fest. Donations needed.

Meeting adjourned: 7:55pm

Important Upcoming Dates:

10/10 New Parent Mixer 7-9 pm – Mia Shim's home

10/17 PTO General Meeting and High School Info Night 6:30-8pm – MUR

10/18 SSC Meeting 6pm – Library (more members needed)
10/25 Prospective Families Info Night 6:30-8pm – MUR
10/27 Fall Fest/Rummage Sale (Sports Fundraiser) 11am-3pm
11/6 PTO Board Meeting 7-8pm – Paulista on Park Blvd.

Board Members Present:

Angie Louie – Financial Secretary
Dunia Wilder – Athletics
Elisa LeBlanc – VP Academic Enhancement (Mini Grants) (Co)
Jeni Paltiel – President/Communications
Kat Verani – VP Outreach (co)
Laura Wedderburn – VP Academic Enhancement (Mini Grants) (Co)

Minutes prepared by: Jeni Paltiel and Angie Louie