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Garfield Elementary PTA Community and Board Meeting

Tuesday April 2026

Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting started [6:31pm] PM Call to Order by: Terra

Intros

Attendees: Introduction

- Terra Sullivan – Treasurer
- Cassie Meigs - Book Keeper
- Crisha Yantis – Secretary
- [Paul] – Staff Representative

- 3 Community members

Financials:

Income and expenses are even and holding steady. Notable things are we brought in over \$2200 donations for the theater. Expenses: snack and staff appreciation around \$800. Good solid results from the book fair. Procession of species supplies purchased.

Approval of March Minutes: Approved

Community Meeting:

School Updates by Paul: One question from a teacher was regarding count down for kindergarten. How it works. Previously had a PTA staff member there and Terra will be there this year to help guide and answer questions. Questions came up about art night. Are we doing this? It seems we have the science night happening and didn't have room for another event. We are all looking, discussions regarding adding art to the science. Terra will touch base with Mr. White regarding interest.

Fundraisers

- Spring Letter Campaign - Send Letter out May 3rd.
- Gina will get letter ready to send out. This is a copy from past years.

Events

- Procession of the Species Costume Build Night – Week of Saturday April 18th (3pm to 6pm) and Wednesday April 22nd 5 to 8pm. It takes time to make a costume. We have the float repainted. To participate folks will need a costume to participate. Mushrooms, ferns, snails, forest floor. People can make their own at home or come to the procession space to make in the next 3 sessions. Music makers would be helpful. We could make eggs with rice inside. Crisha will bring eggs to procession space.. No words on clothes. We need someone to pull the float. Wear black, brown and show up

to hold a streamer. Someone needs to sign us up by. (Crisha). 509 4th ave east. Gina and Terra will send out reminders on Facebook.

- Garfield Garden: Snap ed has shut down. Dave is a master gardener. They need funding and volunteers to keep it going. A ton of weeding is needed to make the garden happen for planting. A volunteer group is needed to make it happen. Master Gardner Dave is checking in to align ideas with what school would like to have happen. The afterschool Ycare did something to the upfront garden. Bernard is the ycare contact for any shared communications for gardening. Being careful about the rodent population. Some Garfield parents are really interested in helping. Max, Johnny and Maria. PTA could help support this by providing a sign up link to share with folks. Seeds and supplies in discussions as well. Much to do and beginning steps underway. Dave was given thumbs up to make organize volunteers of interest and start making it happen and PTA can offer some financial support.
 - Garden Work Party. April 19th from 10 am to Noon.
- Movie Night? Last movie night will be May 8th. Luke and Kaelyn are running it. Movie is not picked yet. Terra will make a sign up sheet. There will be no movie in June.
- Procession of the Species / Three Magnets Family Dinner – April 25th
 - Gina will get this all organized and order Pizza ahead of time. Gina created a flyer and sent it to fed ex. Can someone get it printed and distributed in mailboxes this week? Luke will pick it up and put in teacher boxes. There is a facebook post to sign up for coming to this as a headcount is needed to order pizza.
- Touch a Truck: May 3rd: 1-4pm
 - We have flyer to print out and post. Gina will post to Facebook. Terra is getting it sent to FedEx. Crisha will post around the neighborhood.
 - Last year we did a fundraiser with icecream sundaes. Do we want to do ice cream sundaes again? It was an easy fundraiser. Great idea to make it easy and do novelties was decided on. Frozen and ready to go.
- Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week
 - Ember goods coffee cart coming on May 4th? Terra is checking on date.
 - We usually do a gift for this. Thinking of printing a bunch of T-Shirts and letting everyone pick one from the racks. I will start ordering T-Shirts after checking inventory at the end of this week. Free Garfield apparel item. About 80 quantity needed. Add stickers to the option. Maybe a Garfield cheetah sticker.
- Parfait Bassale Speaker and Community Night – May 11. Community pizza night. We might do an event with kids in one room and parents in the presentation room after pizza. Parfait brings a musical element. Luke will run the kids area.

- Gina to meet with Parfait to discuss the logistics on April 21st
- Science Fair – Thursday May 28th - Terra will meet with Mr. Mac and see what the role of the PTA is for this. PTA will help with ribbons or recognition.
- 17th of May Barnes and Noble Fundraiser.

Other Discussion Items:

- Teacher Grants
 - We sent letter out to the teachers. We have a few responses back.
 - Terra will distribute initial grants (cash), \$150 initial grant for each teacher. Specific timing TBD, will be complete in April.
- Year books Gina has started. Staff member April is working on collecting photos. PTA sells at cost and makes sure every 5th grader gets one.

Meeting adjourned: 7:35pm

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