

# Harvey Milk Parent Faculty Club

Tuesday, Sept. 13th, 2016 at 6:30pm in the school cafeteria

**Meeting called to order by** President Jeff Fassnacht at 6:30 p.m.

**Attending Board Members:** Jeff Fassnacht: President, Melissa Blizzard Brown: Vice President, Sabine van der Sluis: Treasurer, Vashti Ferguson: Events Coordinator, Jennifer Horner: Recording Secretary, Elise Reynolds: Staff Representative, Ron Machado: Principal.

**Attendance: 38**

## **Principal's Report**

Received final allocation of funds from the district and it is a \$41,000 deduction from lower attendance. Scott Weiner gave us \$40,000 and no one has become available in the district to fill position for reading teacher so Ron has reduced position to half time reading coach. No other deduction has occurred from any other allocation in the budget.

-Jeff asks does the money toll over? Ron says that if it does then we will get very creative with that money.

-How many kids in the school? 236 and we have capacity to 250, which is why budget for school is reduced.

-Vote passed to reduce to half time reading teacher.

## **Current Business**

What is the PFC? Jeff reiterating that there is only a 2 term limit as board members on PFC. Four members will term out and these positions will be open. Presentation and power point tells all what we do in the PFC and where the money goes.

-SF Opera Program-Tom Nishimura, 4/5 teacher explains that program pays for 10 students to learn a 45 minute opera.

-Vote passed to give Tom Nishimura the funds for the Opera program.

-Team building Funds-\$300/mo., vote passed to give Ron the funds.

-Cindy Tran pitches about annual giving campaign. We are suggesting \$300 per student. Asking for more volunteers and incentives will be given to classes that participate the most. Asking for volunteers now, and/or room parents to coordinate events. If you have donated, you can get this contribution tax deducted. Amy(parent) says that \$300 is out of range for some parents, Cindy says there will be a communication going home telling parents just this: that we encourage all families to participate in any amount they can. A parent is asking if the child could raise money through selling candy bars and that \$300 is too much money. Jeff is saying that we need parents like you to help us with all of your good ideas about fundraising. We are asking for money directly but it is whatever you can give. Elise says maybe in the future we should not give a monetary amount for each student. Jennifer and Kylie(parents) say that there should be a push for volunteers, we need fresh ideas and more volunteers which will then make more money for the school. David(parent) says he's been here for 9 years and a lot of us cannot afford to contribute. To see a dollar amount on an envelope is very embarrassing when we cannot pay it. It's not inclusive and directly for related to how many volunteers will come forward. Cindy says that we will be sending a letter home saying that any amount will help the school. Antonae says her children's private school does not put a dollar amount on the giving campaign.

-Events with Vashti-Events Coordinator. Go to website to volunteer. Events meeting will be next Tuesday 9/20 at 6:30 in the library.

- Antonae says that the Enrollment Fair is not on the events page and that we need a bigger presence there this year: October 29th.

-Room parents from Melissa and Kylie: new initiative where parents act as a liaison between class. Important that there is a room parent for each class to coordinate volunteering and deliver news.

-George our 19 year volunteer to HMCRA was able to get the district to allow a volunteer fair and 15 volunteers are already volunteering in classrooms and proposes that the 4/5 classes volunteer to do Inscribe again this year.

**Next meeting is** 10/11/16 at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria

**Meeting adjourned at** 7:45 p.m.

**Minutes compiled by** Jennifer Horner, Recording Secretary