Friends of Hawthorne Meeting - DRAFT minutes

6/8/21 6pm – 7:30pm via Google Meet

Attendees: Dan Math & Percy Allen– President; Casey and Tommy Gregory – co-vice-president, Ara Erickson & Josie Clark – co-Treasurers; Corin Lianides - Secretary, Plus community members.

Dana Math welcomes all, kicks off the meeting, hands to Ms Scott.

Principal Scott – updates for next year

Thank you for the support for all of this year! And the Dance-a-thon – Melissa Mak, Angela, and whole team took it to the next level – wonderful experience for students and families

First thing – update for last few days of school

Right now, we have about 4 or 5 people that will be transitioning out of Hawthorne – moving, new jobs, new home towns – Ms. Weight, Ms. Gray (retiring), Mr. Stewart (due to less seniority he has been RIFFed, not "displaced" – Displaced means by funding, etc., they can then apply for any open positions – so another PE teacher needs to apply. If none of displaced teachers take it voluntarily, then those teachers will be placed), Ms. Corley, Ms. Peace, Mr. May (retiring). Some changes – 2 new teachers at K (SIDE NOTE: we need parents to REGISTER! Then we know they are coming ahead of time, and with the districts budget/allocation adjustments, it is based on enrollment numbers – we may have to reduce staffing if we don't have the right enrollment numbers).

 Ms. Kribbs is rolling up to 1st grade, Ms. Manzo is moving up to 2nd grade, plus in new teacher Ms. Roberts, Mr. Hagemann to move to VOC in ELL. Will be hiring a teacher for 3rd grade (Ms Pitts, will be 4/5th grades), Mr. Elway and Ms. Barnes will be in 5th. Interviews happen after 4th of July. Mr Green will not be returning as of now.

Our enrollment funded at 409 students, staffed based on that. Normally we have about 450 during the school year – K is low, we don't want to lose a position (4^{th} room, to keep class sizes appropriate). We want to keep it at 4 classes, we have already hired 2 new K teachers: Isabella Garcia and Samuel Barnes.

How will rooms look in fall with full-on in person? – We will be getting guidance, what can go back in rooms, how desks will be set up.

Launch (after-school care) – admin will be meeting with them in the next week or so or after 4th, talk about what that looks like. Assuming school times will be the same – childcare in the afternoon only.

Re: redshirting K kids – we do know some families kept them out of school last year due to pandemic (about 6-7 kids). That may hit us in the first grade with larger enrollment, but we wont know until closer to open. Transition numbers move around through the summer.

Is there a remote option for elementary? Not sure at this point, the lean is that all elementary is in person. Remote options may be for middle and high school, but it's still in flux. KB: remote is an option but entirely dependent for kids based by school – not a centralized remote option, would be through school. Based on need not a given. SS: a lot of things are still being fleshed out.

Max capacity of Hawthorne is around 400 – we are currently over it. The portables add 50 extra kids. We have space enough, but some programs dictate numbers of the amount of kids in them, i.e. resource rooms.

Q from *Ms* Scott – *is* FOH still going to provide supplies for schools? DM: we need to get list out to teachers before end of school year. (details/plan discussed later in meeting)

Dana Math – updates

Open Board spots –

1 VP position is open – should we need/have 2? And the shared treasurer spot. Does anyone have any updates from any asks in the community?

Corin will ping Emily Glass – re: Treasurer need.

Questions: Do we really need 2 presidents/VP's? We should enable more flexibility.

How do we approach this with the community? Do we fill the board bare bones and then do a different push in the fall to get people on board and vote then?

Do we fill the roles with the existing members, Casey and Tommy 1 VP and 1 pres, and one Treasurer and one secretary – yes, let's plan to do this for legal purposes and plan to do a big push for summer/fall. Co-treasurer is the highest need. Josie will come in and do training with the new cotreasurer, do very warm hand off into new role.

Kindergarten piece – parents are normally involved at a higher rate. How do we see engagement improving? What can we do there?

Fundraising committee – we need to decide by October if we are going to do an auction.

Ara will be leading and Wayne and Angela supporting a fundraising brainstorm in the summer. Who would like to join? Corin, etc.

We need a **School Supply Purchasing** owner – how do we get someone to take this on, and how does it work? Polling the teachers now and procuring it ASAP. Corin will put together the call for supplies – Michael is happy to help with procurement. Josie can help with distribution logistics. Triad support team!

Treasurer report – Josie

Spending summary: Danceathon costs, events, family support, housing utilities childcare, paid Matcha, teacher appreciate week, translation for Moveathon.

We have plenty of money to meet needs for next year due to Danceathon success!

Ara – Book needs

Worked with Ms. Campbell, realized the need to beef up classroom books – queried teachers, and the high range is 700 books, Ms. Campbell would put together online ordering for the teachers. Ara has volunteered to do this w/ Ms. Campbell.

We don't have a budget line for classroom books but we do for supplies and library supplies. How do we approve this line item – how do we do that? In summary – we will order the books but use 21/22 budget versus voting now. Update- we can use a specific budget from a grant for Academic support for the majority of it, then do a smaller buy in the fall. Trying to partner w/ 3rd Place Books.

Angela Schumacher – Danceathon updates – lots of success and hard work.

Heidi Slater - Cross walk

She needs support on getting the crosswalk flag needs done. Does she need to buy all the supplies, then send the ticket back to FOH to get reimbursed. Is there anyone who can volunteer for this? We want this done before school starts in the fall. Also the Phoenix repainting – SDOT will approve but we need Ms Scotts letter of intent. Dana will connect with Heidi on this.

Incoming Kindergarten families:

Large group of incoming K families that have connected on FB Stroller Brigade – already had a meet up! How do we get involved in this – how do we advertise this? How do we get non-brigaders involved?

Ms. Kribbs comment: PTA-sponsored playdate – flier with a letter that goes home with the teachers letters in June. Who could be charge of that? Would need a parent contact person, makes it unofficial but be sponsored by the PTA. We would need a current K parent. Mara Applebaum could help to pick a date and get word out to people. Ms Kribbs will reach out to Mara and Dana and another parent to pick a date, aim to get something in the letter. PTA reps would want to be there at meet ups.

Playground: Peter will be sending out emails to recruit for families to water trees over the summer

Katie Berman – advocacy update

Sounds like there will be full time school in fall – all updates from D7/school board. All sounds promising. New superintendent seems strong. Unsure how it will all happen. We all still don't know what transport will look like because all bus drivers were let go; won't know until mid-July/mid-summer. There is still a group meeting, closer to fall, to make transportation more equitable.

There was an effort to let kids keep iPads and laptops so they could use them over the summer; no updates in a couple weeks. Katie will send an email if she hears anything about that.

Bria Knowles – After school enrichment

Received email from 6 crickets – they claim that the Biden stimulus for after school programming; she is going to see if we can offer FREE programming! Bria will follow up on that and bring it into consideration for possible Winter/Spring after school programs. We will not likely offer this in the Fall.

Jenny Lloyd – Communications

Devin was able to wrangle data directory from district. What we have is all the current families comm info. Jonah Hister still helps manage data for little Green Light – he will upload all families into LGL to automatically sign up for the newsletter. We can push other comm channels together from the newsletter.

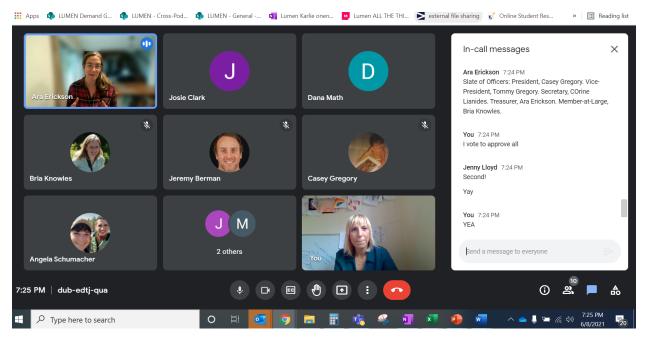
Zoom or Google Meet – If we transition to Zoom, we can use a functionality for translators. It's \$160/year. Use for bigger meetings – that have more structure/organization and a strong single-speaker agenda.

Still need new communications lead!

Next year! Goal is to have meetings over the summer to prepare – early August to hit the ground running! Will want to write newsletter at that time.

21/22 School Year Officer Voting

Slate of Officers: President, Casey Gregory. Vice-President, Tommy Gregory. Secretary, Corin Lianides. Treasurer, Ara Erickson. Member-at-Large, Bria Knowles.



Board Approved: 10 YEA, 0 Nay

Ara Erickson 7:24 PM Slate of Officers: President, Casey Gregory. Vice-President, Tommy Gregory. Secretary, COrine Lianides. Treasurer, Ara Erickson. Member-at-Large, Bria Knowles. You 7:24 PM I vote to approve all Jenny Lloyd 7:24 PM Second! Yay You 7:24 PM YEA Casey Gregory 7:24 PM yea Bria Knowles 7:24 PM Yay! Maureen Merrill 7:24 PM Yea Ara Erickson 7:24 PM Yea Jeremy Berman 7:24 PM Yea Josie Clark 7:25 PM yea Dana Math 7:25 PM Yea Angela Schumacher 7:25 PM Yeah