HS&C General Meeting Friday, Aug. 25, 2023

Link to <u>Presentation</u>

Introduced role of Home and School Club

- Last week's meeting had some technical difficulties, quick review of last week's slides
- HSC funds enrichment that district cannot support
 - Art in Action, Lunch clubs, Project Cornerstone, 5th Grade Science Camp, student incentives and rewards, field trips, and more
- HSC drives community building
 - Panther Prowl
 - Family Movie Nights
 - Restaurant Nights and more

HSC presidents report (Jessica Bladen & Marni Moseley)

- Introduced the executive board members
 - Co-Presidents: Jessica Bladen & Marni Moseley
 - Co-Treasurers: Doron Levi & Olympia Bliss
- Vote: One new co-secretary to join the board
 - Tricia DiCenzo (Co-Secretary)
- Result: Approved
- Still looking for more board members: Co-secretary and co-vice presidents
- Meetings will be last Friday of every month
- Vote: Approve last meeting's minutes
- Result: Approved

Volunteering & events (Marni Moseley)

- Volunteers Needed
 - Art-In-Action: Looking for a co-lead that will assist in the upfront work of preparing the materials, coordinating with teachers and maintaining inventory, *immediate need* for volunteers to run the program and direct the art activity with classrooms throughout the school year, hoping to have the first activity in October
 - Los Dichos: Complements the ABC reading program with stories in Spanish and English
 - Support Drive: *Immediate Need* Starts Next week, our biggest fundraiser, looking for volunteers to help market the fundraiser and count the donations and turn into office
 - ABC Reader: Looking for a Co-Lead
 - Walk N' Roll: *Immediate Need* Every Wednesday morning
 - Playground Equipment Setup every morning: *Immediate Need*, takes about 10 or 15 minutes

Treasurer's report (Marni Moseley)

- This year's budget was approved for \$75,300
- Main expenses broken down into three sections:
 - Student enrichment
 - Payne support
 - HSC operation and student gifts

• Main income sources are the annual HSC Support Drive and the annual Panther Prowl Walkathon

Principal's report (Katie Berg)

- Great start to the school year, many thanks to hardworking staff, many come in on their own time over the summer to prepare classrooms and to get ready for students
- Would like to put an emphasis on community building this year, still struggling to gain back involvement lost during Covid disruptions
 - "Parent Playdates": Room 8 is open every Friday morning for parents to connect
 - Grade Level Playdates: Each grade level will be assigned a date and time when they can stay on campus after school, *must have their adult*, to play on the playground and make connections
 - October 17 TK, K, 1st, 3rd
 - October 19 2nd, 4th, 5th
- Payne continuing/growing emphasis on Social Emotional Learning
 - New "Reflection Room" in office for students to be able to manage big feelings without the pressure of their classmates watching
 - Start of the school year has already brought some students to the reflection room, and it has worked well
 - Every classroom also has its own "Calm Down Corner"
 - Mindful moments, breathing exercises 3x a day
 - Classrooms have a breathing-in Buddha to help steady breathing
- See you at Back to School Night!
 - Wednesday, August 30, 2023
 - 3rd, 4th and 5th 6:00 to 6:45 p.m.
 - All School Meeting 6:45 to 7:15 p.m.
 - TK, K, 1st and 2nd 7:15 to 8:00 p.m.

Questions:

- What are the specific time requirements of Art in Action?
 - Goal is 4 art activities a year, would love to do more if we get enough help
 - Usually comes out to two hours of volunteer time for an art activity, you have an hour leading the lesson with the students and the other time is for setting up the room and cleaning up afterward
 - Teacher is in classroom with you
 - Lead does not have to also teach lessons, lead focuses more on upfront work of making sure everything is ordered and managed for the year
- Review Project Cornerstone
 - Read a story and lead a corresponding discussion and/or activity once a month, Materials are provided
- What does a room parent do?
 - Acts as a liaison between the HSC and classroom
 - Teacher will help you get in touch with classroom families, you are mostly in charge of communicating HSC news to families and teacher

Vote: One new co-secretary to join the board

• Gabriella Sexton (Co-Secretary)

Result: Approved