



Parent Faculty Association

Casa Esperanza Montessori Charter School

Casa Esperanza Montessori Parent Faculty Meeting 6/17

6 June 2017 / 8:00 AM / Faculty Lounge

Executive Officers: Anika McClendon, Heather Worrell, **CO-Presidents;** Debra Perdomo, Lillian Zeitouni, **Co-Vice Presidents;** Danielle Whysall, **Treasurer;** Wendy Pineda, **Secretary**
Sarah Slipsky, Sindy Salcedo, Valerie Jong, Julie Stevenson, Christina Riordan, Itnuit Janovitz, Amy Clark, Dionne Moragne, Anna Foley, Robyn Bennai,

AGENDA

1. Welcome/Meeting called to order
2. Committee Reports Wrap-up:
 - a. Hospitality--Changes or comments for improvement
 - i. Teacher Luncheon
 1. Continue with the same format next year
 2. It was good to plan the menu and use sign up genius for 3 classrooms
 3. Did have one problem with one group being gone for a field trip. Should we let the room parents know at the beginning of the year when their class dates are so that it doesn't happen again?
 - ii. Teacher Appreciation
 1. Sra. Salcedo said that it was good to have the same format where every class uses the same schedule
 2. Maybe be more specific for new parents for the school
 - b. Communications--Changes or comments for improvement
 - i. Newsletter
 1. The translations were difficult
 2. This time we are going to put it on the website and have a counter so we can see how many parents are reading it
 3. MG/Board/Sra. Nunez corners were great
 - ii. Yearbook
 1. We will need another person to run it
 2. Debra will write up the process and put it on the drive
 3. If students are going to take pictures than PFA needs to buy a camera for that.
 4. It would be good for entrepreneurship
 - iii. Website
 1. About the launch the new school website
 2. Meghan may still do it for PFA but Christina Riordan would need to meet with them to train them. Sarah Slipsky would also help with the PFA page
 - c. Active Fundraising--Changes or comments for improvement
 - i. Silent Auction
 1. Still missing the final numbers
 2. Classroom art made the most money
 3. Next year, we need a bigger committee to organize it and get donations
 - ii. Fun Run
 1. Jenny Goegen could not do it this year but we need to get the date on the calendar for next year.
 2. We made \$2,705 overall
 3. MG ran with the younger students and that was a good help and motivational
 4. Sra. Salcedo recommends ice pops for next year (Some classrooms had them, some didn't) - PFA provides
 - d. Passive Fundraising--Changes or comments for improvement
 - i. Family Night
 1. Did not have the last one
 2. Some restaurants give more than others and we should be strategic about where we go.

3. We made \$1,333 - most came from McTeacher Night

3. Funding Requests

a. Media center requests

i. BrainPop (2017-2018)

1. The request came too late this year but Anika suggested we get it for next year
2. \$2,400 for the year

b. Playground Renovations

i. Play equipment

1. Suggestions for the playground

- a. Monkeybars - not safe for the younger kids but the big kids like them (More accidents from kids falling on hard ground)
- b. Climbing dome
- c. Gaga pit
- d. Turf would be a good idea but it is really expensive
- e. Ping pong table
- f. Soccer nets need to be replaced (could we get a sponsor - like Castle - to help with that)
- g. More permanent soccer goals (anchored in)
- h. With any new concept on the playground, rules would have to be established.
- i. Some teachers received equipment during teacher appreciation week and others will ask for it on their wish list

ii. Mulch

1. Turf would be a good idea but it is really expensive
2. Amy suggested building a wall in front of the fence to block the wall. BB&T suggested a net. Then we just need to rake the mulch back to its place.

4. Budget Updates

We are still waiting for money for classroom pictures and spring pictures
Yearbook will be closed out on Friday

5. Head of School

6. Questions, Comments, & Closing

Robyn Bennai asked if it is ethical that someone add their name after seeing the list. The board responded that it is fine as long as it was put in before the nomination period ended.

Robyn had a second question. Sra. Nunez seemed very active with the vote this morning. Robyn was wondering why this was happening. Sra. Nunez is actually a member of the executive committee.

Lilian suggested that we have more rules and regulations for the nomination process.

Debra suggested that we end the session, have the current board look at the ballots, and the board meet to continue the discussion later and set up parameters going forward.

VOTING until 9:00am