Carlton Home & School Club Board Meeting
November 12, 2015 7:04 PM – 8:22 PM Staff Room-Carlton

President: Denise Kranich	Programs Chair: Kristin Gisti	Principal: Lisa Lorona
Vice President:	Community Chair: Missy Romero	Teacher Rep:
Secretary: Deann Boyd	Fundraising Chair: Vacant	
Treasurer: Brandi Mincey		

Present: Denise Kranich, Brandi Mincey, Kate LaBarbera, Lara Panish, Maureen Currie, Eric Scharer, Lisa Lorona and Deann Boyd

The General Meeting was called to order by Denise Kranich **at 7:40 PM.**

What's working:

- Stickers for Chefs night out are appreciated by the parents and kids.
- Walk a thon collaboration with the 4 main ladies have been working so well. They do suck an amazingly wonderful job and put on another perfect event, Thank you!
- Mrs Lorona wanted to give a thank you for the follow through on needs, it makes people feel appreciated.
- There was a parking lot person on campus twice this week directing traffic and giving suggestions on keeping our students safe.

Approval of October meeting minutes:

- This will have to be approved via email, we do not have enough board members for a quorum.

Walk A Thon update:

- Everyone feels this is the best year so far.
- Set up was quick and easy and more people were there to help than had actually signed up.
- The numbers were 200 bags of cotton candy, 250 crazy hair, 256 miles were ran/walked/ 500+ snow cones sold.
- 74% of the students participated and the average amount contributed was $146.
- To date the amount has come to $85,629.75!

Financials:

- We closed October at $173,800, we have about $37,100 in liabilities to go out, mainly CCD, which leaves us with $136,700
- We have received approximately $83,500 out of an expected $125,000.
- We have spent $50,200 of an expected $142,000
- We collected $35,576 which is 95% of what we asked for.

4th Grade Fundraising

- Chef's night out – parents enjoy it and the kids love it and get to see their friends.
- 4th grade fundraising, no more ice cream sales so 2 chef's night out will be dedicated to them
- There will be a cap on the 5th grade party so it does not get out of hand like last year

Updates

- Grandparents day is 11/20, there will be donuts and coffee at the 10:20 recess
- Auction update – things are going well, the theme is Enchanted Evening. Donations are coming in, everything is on track

Principal Report

- Thank you walk a thon, you did a great job and everyone had a wonderful time
- Thank you Missy for organizing Grandparents day
- Safe route to school had a great start, there have been some classes on bike safety and the 4th graders had a great time at the bike rodeo
- Auction leads are ready to go
- At the last Board meeting we had some of our students do a presentation regarding technology. Their presentation skills were unbelievable and they were so mature and prepared, everyone was really impressed
- Our teachers are cross training and swapping ideas
- I (Mrs Lorona) is applying for awards for Carlton, since everything is going so well
- Mrs Lorona is working on water hydration stations and possible shade on the play grounds

- While Mrs Lorona is out Mr. Scharer will be filling in while out on maternity leave and will be returning end of May beginning of June

Presidents Update

- Laminator needs to be replaced, this should be done by next week
- Water in the teachers' lounge has been fixed – yeah!
- Marquee, quotes are being looked at
- Shed is awesome, looks good and will hold art vista, clay over flow and merchandise
- Heather Lee proposal for money to decorate the teachers' lounge, this is still in discussion
- Measure B went extremely well in our community
- Parent Leadership meeting – measure J funds are being discussed for the imaginarium, painting and pick up/drop off
- PLM there is a 3 and 6 month goals and they will be posted
- Safety officer was out to patrol the parking lot out pick up and drop off. He was shocked at our drivers and said it is a danger zone. He is going put in for someone to come out regularly and give us suggestion on how to fix the issues
- Jooners was bought out by sign up genius. We have a dedicated person to update our sign ups that are currently on jooners and the room parents will be updated on this soon.

Teachers Report

Kinders - We have had a busy month in Kindergarten! In math we have been studying composing and decomposing numbers 1-10 and 2-D and 3-D shapes. We worked on describing the shapes attributes and characteristics. In Language Arts we are developing oral language and phonemic awareness. We discussed and read different types of text (fiction and informational) and enjoyed making our own fiction stories and narrative stories. In Science, we finished a unit study on the season of Autumn. We celebrated Fall with a Fall Festival! In Social Science we studied about communities and good citizenship. We had real firefighters visit to teach us about their job and fire safety. We loved climbing through the fire truck! We had a spook-tacular Halloween week! We loved being in the parade, seeing our 5th grade Big Buddies and celebrating with activities and treats! Los Gatos Bird Watchers visited to teach us all about bats! We enjoyed conference week and getting a chance to meet up with all our student's families to share our goals and observations. After our busy month we are continuing to prepare for the next holiday- Thanksgiving! We are in full swing studying about Native Americans and Pilgrims. We are making our own costumes and getting ready for a special feast next week!

First grade - We have been using Adobe Voice with our ipad carts to make these voice stories. I sent you a copy of one of mine. We are excited to use the ipads to create and enrich our classes. We are re-designing our family project to align with our Common Core Social Studies Standards. Our windows are beautifully decorated for Fall, we are very thankful!

Second grade - We are in the 2nd rotation of science/technology classes and enjoying getting to know all the fourth graders. We've all had our first ABC Cornerstone reading and Art Vistas. Students love these extracurricular activities. Music is also going well, students are getting their "belts" by practicing new songs on their recorders. We are nearing the end of the first trimester, taking district benchmarks on our chromebooks and filling out report cards.

Third grade - is continuing to have a great year! We are excited about how much we have learned this year. Students feel very prepared for fourth grade. We have a field trip coming up to see Cinderella at the California Theater in San Jose. We have also started practicing for Dance Fest, one of our favorite activities of the year! Students are working hard on their science projects to present at Open House. We will also be completing a Power Point presentation to leave on our desks for all our visitors to see during Open House. The project will share all we learned and loved about third grade!

Fourth grade - is just finishing up California Native Americans and Island of the Blue Dolphins. To practice for our district writing benchmark, the students are working on their final creative narratives: an adventurous day in the life of one of the tribes we studied. Students can use their notes from RTI to help with their stories. Next, we will be starting Explorers in RTI.

Fifth grade - is getting ready for the Walk Through American Revolution on December 10th and 11th. RTI stories are about the revolution to give students background knowledge for Walk Through. Science Camp paperwork went home so we are starting to prepare for camp, as well.

Next Meeting

- Updates on laminator, marquee and financials
- We will go over the audit results

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22PM