

**Friends of Castle Heights, Inc.**  
**Board Meeting Agenda**  
**Monday, March 7, 2022 @ 7pm**

**Zoom Info:**

<https://zoom.us/j/5455282559?pwd=QmpuVFpDdzZTa0ZlUS9wNlBFWFdsUT09>

Meeting ID: 545 528 2559

Meeting PW: FRIENDS

**CALL TO ORDER:** Alex called to order at 7:07 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Laila Ahmed, Stephen Esmond, Amber Hapuarachy, Yonit Harounian, Alyssia Hubbard, Kate Jensen, Kelly Martin, Andrew Mollner, Alex Ornstein, Margot Rosen, Juli Welch

**CHES Staff Present:** Linda Beck, Julianna Braden, Amy Levitt-Polanco, Kenneth Pope

**Others Present:** Lizzy Chapman, Brooke Wetzel, Jessica Widro, Jason Zedeck

**Approve Minutes** – Laila motion to approve January minutes; Yonit second; unanimous approval

**Agenda**

**1. Principal's Report**

- a. Not sure if we're getting a psychiatric social worker @ \$27K; if not we lose the funds
- b. Spring Gift to parents – all classes are doing a performance and put a video together for the parents
- c. LAUSD wants videos for our school – 2 parents and 2 students; due in ~ a month

**2. Co-President's Report**

- a. Beck, Steve, Alex, Alyssia - meeting with the T.A.'s on Wed – currently T.A.'s making min wage and no benefits, but expecting they will ask for a raise
- b. Teacher Appreciation Week May 2-6– need a volunteer to help with organizing the gift from Friends
- c. Kinder Welcome Event – need a volunteer to lead
- d. Move Elections to the Fall permanently? To discuss at future meeting

**3. Treasurer's Report**

- a. \$15K under payroll; may have some space to work with T.A.'s request for a raise
- b. Can allocate future funding for the next set of years, but can't approve a budget for future years – total of \$24K from the slush fund for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Culmination up for vote.
  - i. Steve motions to set aside \$4K year from current Kinder through current 5<sup>th</sup> grade for each class as a separate fund *not* in the budget for culmination funds. Plus, up to \$3K from current Kinder through current 5<sup>th</sup> grade for each class as a separate fund *not* in the budget for Astrocamp scholarship. Amber second. 8 yes's, 0 no's, 2 abstentions

**4. Volunteer Opportunities**

**5. Events**

**a. Spring Event update**

- i. Auction Committee – has over 50 different vendor donations within last 2 weeks
- ii. Raffle – vote to keep separate from event or keep with event still being determined
- iii. Dudley Drive Golden Ticket – Lizzy proposed make it \$500 first prize and \$250 for next 4 spots
- iv. Event Idea – perhaps a music festival on school; auction at the event
- v. Sending out event meeting notice tonight for next meeting

**b. Campus Hangout Event** – in May – movies, families, food trucks; can bring their own food and hoping to keep it at \$5/pp

- i. Hoping to resume Campus Campout in the Fall but Princ Beck says with construction unlikely we'll be sleeping outside

**c. Dine Out Event – May 11** – perhaps combine with Campus Hangout?

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- d. **Annual 5 Dads Auction** – need 5 dads to participate – Jason Zedeck, Andrew Mollner, Alex Ornstein, and need 2 more; can use for labor work at home or babysitting or can donate to school

**6. Open Forum**

- a. Andrew's Survey for 5<sup>th</sup> graders aiming to go out in April
- b. Why is art enrichment for only half the year? Everyone gets 8 weeks of art since there's only 1 art teacher.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m. (Alex motioned; Andrew seconded)

**7. Upcoming Meetings:**

- a. **April 4, 2022**
- b. **May 2, 2022**
- c. **June 6, 2022**