

# **Loma Portal Foundation**

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Brooke Smith Treasurer

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# MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES December 9, 2020 6pm

#### CALL TO ORDER-Valerie

- General Zoom meeting rules and etiquette were covered.
- 12 people attended the meeting

# APPROVAL OF SECRETARY'S MINUTES-Kelly

- General consent to approve the November 2020 Foundation meeting minutes.
- Mindy made a motion to approve the minutes.
- Devon seconds
- Approved

## TREASURER'S REPORT-Brooke

- Brooke went over the current numbers.
- The budget was emailed to Foundation members for review
- Brooke is working with Tauni on paying teacher salaries.
- The investment CD is maturing on 12/15. We have \$113,807 currently in the CD at 1.6 %. If we roll it into another CD, the new rate will be 0.5%. We have options to roll it, move it to a 6-month cd, or put it in savings.
- Devon asked if we checked any other banks. We haven't checked other banks but interest rates are low across the board so it won't make a difference.
- Katie asked what our operating budget is. We have \$14,785 in checking and savings combined currently. Considering the current economic situation, and not being able to fundraise like normal, would we be ok if that money in the CD were tied up for the next 6-12 months? Brooke said considering teacher salaries will be \$120,000-\$140,000, it would be very tight.
- A discussion took place about whether to pull the funds out of the CD or not.
- A decision was made to put the monies back into savings, noting that it goes back into a CD when rates go up and fundraising is better. Clearly indicating it is a nest egg.
- Stan made a motion to take the funds out of a CD and put it into savings with a line item to use as a future investment CD unless necessary.
- Katie seconds
- 9 in favor
- 0 opposed
- Approved

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-Mark

- Phase 2 delay of reopening schools was covered. Reopening will be reevaluated on 1/13 by SD Unified to see when we could potentially open physical school up for phase 2.
- Expanding of Phase 1 will be attempted, but no information yet.
- Mark received the formal news to keep all 17 teachers AND all our special education staff.
- Blacktop paving and repainting is pushed back to January. Mark met with parents and staff about design.
- Wall ball walls will be left as is for now. Probably replacing in the spring.
- Last meeting Teachers Paying Teachers was discussed. Mark researched. We could buy 300 downloads (17 per teacher) for under \$2,000. 750 downloads would be \$4,500. Or you can pay per download, but the price in more.
- Valerie mentioned one teacher could download per grade level.
- Carolyn noted that many of the old downloads cannot be transferred onto SeeSaw and Google Classroom. Teachers are now downloading more documents than when we were in physical school because it doesn't transfer over virtually. K-1 seem to use TPT more than other grade levels. There is a variety of content. She said teachers would be ecstatic about having this. Currently teachers' pay for it out of their own pocket.
- Mark said if we were looking for a fundraising idea, this could be a good one.
- Brooke said we have a some funds left in Jogathon and Silver Graphics fundraising to cover the cost.
- Devon made a motion for the Foundation to pay up to \$2,000 for 300 downloads of TPT.
- Carolyn seconds
- 10 in favor
- 0 opposed
- Approved
- Mark said it would be charged to the school credit card.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

#### 1. SILVER GRAPHICS-Kelly

- The Tile/Art Program with Silver Graphics wrapped up for the season. They received 122 online orders from our student's families (including 48 wall tile orders) by the Nov. 16 deadline. And we raised a whopping \$1,622! The Foundation had budgeted only \$500 for fundraising for this project.
- Orders can still be placed for the rest of the school year, they will just have to be shipped to homes, not LPE.

#### 2. BOOK FAIR-Devon

• As of today, total sales are \$1,658.96. We get 25% in scholastic dollars. Our new scholastic total is \$1,393.69. The goal is to meet \$1,500 between this book fair and the one we have in the spring.

- Brooke asked if we bought books through year would it still go to book fair. The answer was yes, but it's a smaller amount.
- Thank you, Devon, for all your hard work!

# 3. FAMILY DINNER NIGHT-Valerie

- Classics Malt Shop was last week and has not given us a fundraising total yet.
- Adalberto's is 12/17. They have donated a lot to our school in the past so let's support them.
- We have already raised \$576 this year. We budgeted \$750.
- Thank you everyone for supporting family dinner nights.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. FOOD DRIVE-Dana
- We are collecting monetary donations only this year. All donations go to families at LPE in need. So far, we have \$710 in donations. We have 17 families to donate to.
- Friday we will have a competition of gift cards collection by class. The class who donated the most gift cards will win class time with the Principal.
- Dana is doing a great job making this all work considering the situation with Covid-19 pandemic.
- 2. VARIETY SHOW-Becca
- Becca wasn't present for the meeting.
- Valerie said Becca was trying to get info out before the winter break.

# Open Discussion

- Mark reminded everyone to fill out the LCFF forms on power school. They are extremely important for school funding.
- Stan talked about teacher gifts.

Adjournment 6:50 pm