



BLUE OAK SCHOOL

Approved Parent Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday May 15, 2023 @ 6pm

Join Zoom Meeting or In-person at Blue Oak in Room 21

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1. OPENING (~6:00pm)

1.1 Call Meeting to Order 6:05pm

1.2 Invocation:

This is our school. May peace dwell here. May the rooms be full of contentment. May love abide here, love of one another, love of our school, and love of life itself. Let us remember that as many hands build a house, so many hearts build a school.

1.3 Land Acknowledgement

As we gather here at Blue Oak School, we acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Maidu people. For many generations, the Maidu lived from the richness of the earth, raising families and shaping the land, and they continue to do so to this day. We pay our respects to the Maidu elders past and present and recognize that this land was not given freely. Together, may we continue to work toward a healthy culture and society that warmly welcomes all people and cares deeply for our Mother Earth.

1.4 Blue Oak Parent Council Mission Statement

The Parent Council serves as the leadership core for the parent body, primarily focused on school community and culture as well as fundraising efforts to help support the financial needs of the school.

1.5 Two-word check-in

2. PUBLIC COMMENT > AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL (~6:05pm)

- Note: 3 min Total Allotment to be given
- Responses do not have to be given (Either Add to future Agenda or Refer to appropriate body)
- Wait for Chair to Recognize you before speaking

Amber Pierce: We may need to check in to ensure PC is paying for actual childcare provided. We can look into this in the Fall, but need to ensure we only pay if there is actually childcare provided (not if there are no children present). Nicole's understanding is that we already only pay if childcare is provided - need to verify with Maggie. Plan is to verify process and protocols with Maggie in advance of first meeting of next school year.

3. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS (~6:10 pm) DISCUSSION

Please bring forth any edits or modifications to tonight's agenda at this time.

None

4. CONSENT AGENDA (~6:15pm) DISCUSSION & ACTION

4.1 Approve Minutes from 5/2/2023

- Paige moves to approve the minutes from 5/2/23 meeting. Ryan seconds motion.
- **Voted to approve the minutes.**

5. Treasurer Report -Ryan S. (~6:20 pm) DISCUSSION

- Emailed with Maggie today, who reported nothing had changed since last time we looked at the account. This seems odd, given we just had the May Faire.
- Maggie told Amber she didn't have the totals from May Faire yet.
- Ryan to investigate and share May Faire funds raised and current balances electronically when available.
- Paige suggests tracking classroom fundraisers too, especially as we think about overall field trip fundraising, planning for future, etc. Ryan to sync with Jackie Hammer to obtain any tracking she may already have from past class fundraisers.

6. New Business(~6:25 pm) DISCUSSION & ACTION

6.1 General Funding Request Action

6.1a Funding Req of up to \$150 reimbursement for Concession at Spring Concert -Angie E.

- Amber would like to have the 8th grade fundraiser (Klean Kanteens) at the concert. This needs to be approved by Admin (either specific to concert or in general along with Amber's existing request.
- Susan confirmed that if we made a prior budget approval of funds, but they were never used (e.g. the Easter fundraiser that didn't happen) then the funds just go back to the pot for future use – no need to formally resolve anything.
- Approved meeting minutes are required for reimbursement. Is there a way for Angie to be reimbursed before end of school year? Meeting minutes can be approved over email if necessary (don't necessarily need another meeting for Angie to be reimbursed this year). **Paige to send meeting minutes ASAP after this meeting – we need at least four people to reply in writing to approve the minutes, and then Angie can submit to Maggie for reimbursement.**
- Paige moves to reimburse up to \$150 in total for Concession expenses for the Spring Concert. Ryan seconds the motion. **Voted to approve.**

6.2 Update on Funding for Jennifer -Susan D. Discuss

- **To Allow a Check gifted to Miss Jennifer to proceed.**
- Needed to establish a class of employee who would be allowed to receive such funds. Policy has been drafted by Admin and approved by the auditor – needs to go to Charter Council for approval of this policy. Susan is asking Charter Council to approve in one monthly cycle – should have a check to Jennifer by end of June.

6.3 Set PC Festival Dates for next school year -Discuss/Action

- **Harvest, Winter, & Spring**
- Faculty approved dates:

- Harvest Festival: Friday 10/13/23 (note 5th or 6th grades may be on an overnight field trip?!?!)
- Winter Faire: Saturday, 12/9/23
- May Faire: Saturday, 5/4/24

PC has a need for some additional options for festival dates, if we are to support these festivals. **Susan to go back to faculty to request this (and understand how/why certain dates were chosen or not).**

First PC meeting of the school year is not until September, so would be very good if we can nail down the Harvest Fest date asap...

Klean Kanteen confirmed they can set up their refill station at our festivals next year – we just need to confirm the dates for their availability.

Nicole notes that some vendors are challenged with Saturday events, since they normally sell at the Farmers Market. There may also be other big events that are branded as “first Saturday in May” that we may complete with.

Ryan to liaise with faculty (Nick Meier and Sarah Lee) to nail down these dates. Cheryl volunteers to assist, and notes that Alex may also have some calendar information at the ready.

6.4 Charter Council Election Committee Board

Discuss/Action

- Alex A., Nicole T., Paige O., Amber P.
- One additional member needed
- Flyers for elections will be posted around school tomorrow. Angie Ernest also volunteers to assist.
- Duties may vary based on applicants received. If we only get 2 applicants for the 2 open seats, then no voting process is necessary. If we have more than 2 applicants for the 2 seats, then we need to run the voting during the last week of school: need a volunteer to sit with the ballot box during set hours, check off names of voters, ensure ballots remain secure in area, count votes, etc. **Nicole to put together sign up ask for duties and time slots.** Nominations/applications are due 5/23, so we should know then whether voting is needed.

7. CLOSING COMMENTS (6:55pm)

DISCUSSION

- Nicole thanks everyone for their work and enthusiasm this year, hopes to see us back next year, wishes us a great
- Cheryl acknowledges and thanks PC for organizing the taco bar last Friday for teacher appreciation.
- Amber commends us all for being nimble in our May Faire planning/execution, teacher appreciation and all our work.
- Angela says in chat: Thank you everyone for a great year! I've enjoyed working with you all!
- Paige says please watch for meeting minutes and respond to approve!

8. ADJOURNMENT (~7:00pm) 7:03pm