

**Friends of ANLC
MEETING MINUTES
September 15, 2009**

Approved at the Friends of ANLC meeting on October 20, 2009.

1. Diane brought the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Lou Rodarte made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting. It was seconded by Charles Grisier and approved by all. Introductions were made. There were 23 people in attendance. A quorum was present.

2. Principal Charles Grisier's Report:
 - Dr. Catalani left ANLC's parent discussion session feeling positive about ANLC and that our parents are very proud of ANLC.
 - Charles reported on the Positive Behavior Information System & Jaggy's 200 club which rewards students with a Jaggy Paw when they exemplify our desired behavior (Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible). The next winners will be televised. Prizes range from stickers to pencils. The Mystery Motivator was a Café VIP pass and a \$10 Target gift card and was well received.
 - The following day is early release for training teachers on making formative assessments through science misunderstandings and touring the Paiute Center.
 - Regarding the new computer technology, we are still working through the glitches.
 - Mr. Grisier will be teaching a middle school enrichment class starting next week looking at interpreting song lyrics.
 - Visitors from Bisbee's Greenway Elementary will be at ANLC this week as they evaluate their multiage program.
 - Next Tuesday night is Diamondbacks vs. Giants, an SUSD fundraiser. \$5 of each ticket will go to SUSD.
 - Middle school (7th & 8th grades) intramural sports tournament was last week. While it seems that ANLC doesn't win the tournaments regularly, the kids are having a good time.

3. Officer Report:
 - President's Report: Think Tank, our site council group, is in need of an additional parent to be a voting member on the committee. Cathy Lake volunteered to take that position.
 - No Vice Presidents report.
 - No Secretary's report.
 - Treasury Report: No change from the last meeting.

4. Committee Reports:
 - Traci Wilbur reported that we have plenty of volunteers to cover all classes for Art Masterpiece. We are looking to get our Art Masterpiece online to make it

easier for volunteers. We would love to have our parent volunteers trained on the Smart Boards.. Charles indicated that once the teachers have all been trained we should be able to train the parents.

- Community Gardens: The map will be redone which assigns plots to all the teachers. Ann Rodarte reminded everyone that Herbert's Habitat is available for teacher's use. There will be a table and an umbrella installed soon. Also there is a desert tortoise living in the Habitat.
- Grant Writing Committee: Julie Robbins will be heading up this new committee. They are excited about the many opportunities there are to secure funding from grants.
- Exploration Friday: All classes for the October Exploration Friday are filled. We expect plenty of parent volunteers. Ms. Missal asked a question about setting norms for teachers to understand their role in Exploration Friday. Charles noted that there is a meeting on this issue happening Thursday, Sept. 17, at the school.
- Newsletter: Toni Coursey was congratulated on a great first issue. Diane suggested that there be a Committee Update section that rotates to feature each committee.
- Recycling: Nikki Lemmon reported on the Cartridges for Kids program, which collects all used or outdated electronic items. There was discussion about growing our school recycling program. We are currently recycling paper at ANLC. We will come up with a plan to push for recycling. Diane suggested we continue to promote what we're doing and perhaps make it a contest. Toni will put it in the newsletter. It was suggested that Think Tank might address this issue.
- Health Screening: We have plenty of volunteers for this upcoming event and we will be providing meals for them.
- School Directory: Maria Kitkowski reported that we will be doing our student directory in house. We have a budget for it and will be asking for parent advertisements if they wish.
- Fall Fundraiser: Diane explained the idea of our "phantom" fundraiser, where parents donate an amount of money they would normally spend on buying student-sold products, like wrapping paper, for example. Maria noted that fundraisers are more successful if people know what they are giving the money for. We discussed possible fundraising goals and decided to ask the teachers to recommend one. Mr. Grisier will address it at the teachers meeting.

Nikki suggested that we should report on when the Fall Fundraiser is over and have a celebration. Maria noted that we have had those celebrations but simply need a coordinator to volunteer.

There were a few different ideas suggested for a theme. Nikki Lemmon suggested we create a video that would be posted on YouTube. It was determined to give the issue of the theme of the Fall Fundraiser and how to implement to the Fall Fundraiser committee.

- Family Night: On October 29 we will have a Science Spooktakular. We discussed combining that with a (Family Night) Spaghetti Dinner and the Used Book Sale. The Family Night committee will discuss this.

New Business:

1. Mr. Grisier requested funding for the Jaggy Paws and Mystery Motivator programs at \$400. A motion to fund the prizes for this program was made, seconded and approved by all.
2. The idea of hiring a library assistant was discussed. Mrs. Kertman requested funding for an assistant to cover 2+ hours of lunch period. Taylor Jones noted that supervision in the library with just one librarian is an issue as we are concerned with safety.

Traci Wilbur made a motion that Friends funds a Library Aide for 3 hours a day not to exceed \$4,000. It was seconded by Val Norris and approved by all.

3. Question on the Artist in Residence: We submitted a grant and were approved for a project that will be in Gleam 2.

Diane Sanders adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Ann Lippincott
Secretary