

## Noddin HSC Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 12, 2023

@7:00pm In person in the staff lounge

### NHSC Executive Board Meeting Slide Show

**Attendance:** 22 - Nina Boettcher, Preethi Harbuck, Kira Heintz, Casey Diaz, Erin Miller, Megan Wright, Christine Simpkins, Taylor Maia, Rebecca Juarez-Garcia, Jessica Ertell, Leah Stanton, Sri Vemulakonda, Alejandra Muggenburg, Jamie Butcher, Laressa Mead, Angie Huntington, Justine Bechler, Heather Reynolds, Amy Johnson, Eliza Izskowitz, Orin Dsilva, Pavan Vyas

### Call to order/Welcome/Introductions [2] 7:04 pm

- Principal's Report [10]
  - Noddin received a CA Distinguished School award!
    - 5 schools within the district were awarded. A lot of hard work was put in to accomplish this. Teachers nominated two faculty members to go down to accept the award and Ms. Maia & Ms Palmani were chosen. CA Distinguished School Awards take place Feb 16-17th.
    - We will have a celebratory event in the spring to recognize this accomplishment on campus.
  - School Site Council approved Noddin's safety plan today. It can be viewed on the website.
  - Safety Team Mrs. Wright has an idea to gather volunteer staff & parents to review safety plans and systems in place to see if there are any additional ideas/better practices. Stay tuned for more information.
  - Science Camp @ Camp Campbell Science Camp was wonderful! Both students and faculty had a great time at Camp Campbell. Teachers are working on a video montage to show 5th graders and it will also be available to 4th grade to use for their information night/fundraising meetings/news blasts.
  - Kimochi's Kimochi's are in the classrooms! Upper grades have started to implement them and Noddin will hold a teacher training in February. A parent education night is also in the works, more information to follow.
  - Latino Literacy This is a district wide program to bring families together. Noddin is the host site of this program which runs for 6 weeks, beginning in February. Information will be sent out as we get closer to the start of the program.
  - Save the Date for a USD Creativity Showcase, happening April 1st. Any type of art can be submitted for display. Teachers will have more info this week to share with both students and parents. The showcase is part of a USD health & wellness program and all work will be displayed.
  - Spelling Bee is back! Ms. Polen is organizing this school wide event; all classes will participate and one student from each class will compete.



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- Teacher Remarks [5]
  - 5th grade survived science camp! Everyone had a great time and Camp Campbell was a very nice facility. 5th graders have also been working on making board games for Smart Start, and were able to play the games with their 2nd grade buddies. Genius Hour will take place over the next 6 Fridays for 5th grade students.
  - 1st Grade Gearing up to celebrate the 100th day of school. They also have their 3rd field trip of the year to the SJ Museum of Art coming up.
  - 2nd Grade- Recently went on a 49er field trip. Classes will begin their Famous Persons project next week, which everyone is looking forward to.
  - 3rd Grade- Students held a Winter Fest which was a lot of fun. They are creating Dash robots in maker space and will use the STEAM lab for upcoming social studies projects. The SJ Water District is coming in for their next field trip.
  - 4th grade Teachers say a big thank you for the Kimochis, which are being used regularly. Students are prepping for their informational writing segment, which will focus on plants and animal structures.
- Review/Approval of December 2022 Minutes [2] Motion to approve the Dec 2022 minutes. 1st: Pavan Vyas 2nd: Leah Stanton, Yes:16, No: 0 Abstain: 0, Motion Passed
- Treasurer's Report [10]
  - Current Budget vs Actuals
    - \$150,000 raised so far this year- including science camp/field trips
    - Please participate in school fundraising efforts like Walkathon so we don't experience a shortfall next year.
    - January 31st is the deadline for all HSC reimbursement requests for the first half of the school year.
  - Auditor's report of 2021-2022 Fiscal year Pavan Vyas
    - Thank you to Erin Miller (HSC Treasurer), she was very helpful and accommodating with her time. Audit was completed satisfactorily. All documentation was accounted for and we were able to reconcile the required two picked-at-random months to the bank statements.
    - Recommendations/observations: Erin had reconciled/closed out transactions from a few years back due to 2020 difficulties, which was very helpful. All records are very well maintained and documented.
      - Digitized options may make it easier in the future.
      - Asst. Treasurer should be doing a monthly recon of accounts and it's recommended that we begin that process in order to follow the HSC Bylaws.



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### • President's Report [10]

- Science Camp was great. Although there was some cost confusion leading up to the event, all costs were covered, and we will move forward with Camp Campbell.
  - We have picked multiple date options for next year and hope to find out our assigned dates soon.
  - We are trying to make the info about Science Camp more available and transparent to 4th grade families so they know what to expect upon entering 5th grade. This is important, because the fundraising done in 4th grade is used to offset 5th grade costs, and we would like families to know what they are working towards.
- 4th grade fundraising is divided into Science Camp proceeds and graduation/promotion. There
  are opportunities within 4th grade to do individual sales to offset your Science Camp costs as
  well as the graduation/pool party.
- Nominating Committee for 2023/24 school year This process is overseen by the Parliamentarian and includes 5 members- 3 need to be Noddin parents and 2 members that are current committee/HSC board members. Nominations need to be received 1 month before the May meeting, when voting takes place.

#### Committee Reports/New Business

- Hospitality (Jessica)- Had a great holiday lunch with the teachers & staff before Winter Break, complete with festive decor and delicious food. We love supporting the Noddin staff in creative ways. Kudos to Amy Johnson for consistently maintaining the staff lounge. Hospitality is experiencing budget difficulties, especially when it comes to food purchases for the larger lunches, since prices have increased. Hospitality would like to request extra funding (approx. \$600-\$1000) from surplus to get through the remainder of the school year.
  - After discussion, the committee opted to try different ways to get more items donated by parents and agreed to address the need for surplus funds next month, in order to cover the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon in April/May.
- Emergency preparedness (Laressa)
  - Still need to replenish the expired snacks in the emergency kits. Will coordinate with Nick & Justine Bechler to get all the Costco supplies purchased.
- 4th Grade Fundraising (Angie)
  - So far, 4th grade has had a few fundraisers (SheShe, Kona Ice) where proceeds go towards graduation/promotion.
    - Kona Ice will be at Noddin once a month going forward (2nd Wednesday of each month)
    - Fundraising team is planning for an after school movie during conferences, with a possible bake sale.
    - Beginning Feb 1st, there will be fundraising opportunities which will go towards individual student's Science Camp costs: items to sell include ButterBraids, Boon Supply & Cookie Dough.



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- Cut off for sales will be at the end of February. Delivery will take place at Noddin in March. \*Strictly online sales for these fundraisers.
- Walk & Roll (Jamie) The next Walk & Roll will occur on January 18th; Council Member Pam Foley will be on site to see how the program runs at Noddin. Ms. Foley gave us a grant towards Walk & Roll earlier this year. Parent volunteers are already signed up to man the gates and hand out prizes on the 18th, but we would love additional support for future dates!
  - Student winners from prior months had lunch with Mrs. Wright, which they all enjoyed.
  - Students who won the monthly drawings received their Target gift cards.
  - Mrs. Simpkins & Ms. Curry have the highest totals so far and will each have a popsicle party in the next few weeks!
- Beautification (Justine & Orin)
  - Many ideas in the works, including building the Little Library and coordinating a weekend campus cleanup.
- Walkathon (Kira)
  - We are still looking for individual(s) to chair the Walkathon. This is a vital fundraising opportunity for Noddin and without it next year's budget is going to be impacted. As a means to jumpstart the process, the HSC will be holding a brainstorming session after tonight's (1/12) HSC meeting to see if we can make it happen.

Comments/Questions - none

Adjourn Meeting 8:51pm

### **Upcoming Events/Date**

Upcoming HSC Meeting Dates: 2/9/23 HSC MTG 3/9/23 HSC MTG 4/6/23 HSC MTG 5/11/23 HSC MTG 5/24/23 General Meeting for Board Election at Open House

January slideshow & December minutes:

www.noddinhsc.org/meeting-minutes December Budget vs Actuals: www.noddinhsc.org/financials