McKinley Foundation Meeting Minutes
August 29, 2017

Attendees
President Maribel King
Immediate Past President Betsey Zbyszynski
Treasurer Elizabeth Koumas
Secretary Alycia Leslie
Teacher Liaison Gina Honma
Principal Deb Ganderton
Voting Member Alexi Trupans
Voting Member Jim Sakrison
Voting Member Lisa Graves

Agenda
Foundation Members
- Position Assignments Update
Morning Running Club
Budget Review
- ASE
- Jog-a-thon
- SONO
- Theatre (cost of License & Materials)
- Garden
- Cash reserve
4th Grade Wheel
Ceramics Instructor
Substitute for Dance Wheel Instructor

Foundation Members
Members introduced themselves. New this year are Maribel King and Lisa Graves. Positions were reviewed. Betsey will be the new Immediate Past President, Maribel is the new President. Secretary and Treasurer remain the same. Shari Schlossberg, most recent Immediate Past President, will remain on the board as a voting member for a total of nine voting members.
Morning Running Club
Morning running club will return now that the running path is restored. Geysil Arroyo and Sally McRory will be the leads for this activity. They presented a possible program for consideration, Student Lap Tracker: https://www.studentlaptracker.com/. This program is in use at Albert Einstein Academy with excellent reviews. The basics were presented, see link above, and the possible additional benefits of use during Jog-a-Thon were discussed. A vote on the funding was tabled until a full review of 2017-2018 budget could be completed.

Subsequently, it was determined that the foundation cannot support the Student Lap Tracker program this year and it will be considered again in the following school year.

Budget Review
Jog-a-Thon
Mauricio Ahumada and Ivana Milosevic will be running Jog-a-Thon this year. Jog-a-thon is scheduled for 26 October 2017. A small advance was requested by October 26th to cover initial costs of the event. Jog-a-thon provides a net profit in fundraising to support McKinley Foundation Initiatives.

ASE
Bridgette Tullis past ASE lead introduced her relief, Jill Harlan. Jill volunteered with ASE in the previous school year. Some of the offered courses have raised rates. This has resulted in an increase of class rates not to exceed $95. Previously the maximum class cost was $90. ASE signup will be all online on a first come first serve basis. School computers and volunteers will be made available to accommodate students and families with limited access to computers at home. In order to make ASE affordable and available to all students at McKinley, partial and full scholarships are offered. A small subsidy was requested to cover initial costs for fall classes.

SONO
Jean Rivaldi will continue as lead for SONO with Brijet Myers assisting and taking lead next year. A complete review of the expenditures and income was presented. Several changes were presented including acquiring more sponsorship from the previous year and purchasing less merchandise. Expenditures will be required prior to the event to secure permits, merchandise, and support services. With most up front costs due no later than mid-November. SONO is currently scheduled for 03 December 2017. SONO provides a net profit in fundraising to support McKinley Foundation Initiatives.
McKinley Theater Co.
This year’s production will be Peter Pan Jr. Foundation members approved funding to cover the costs of License and Materials. This is minimal cost and ensures the play and associated merchandise adhere to all legal copyright requirements. McKinley Theater will again be run by Barbara Smith and Pauline Trevino. The theater company requested that all money collected from the parent run concessions during the show directly support the theater program. In previous years, this fundraising money was in conjunction with 5th grade fundraising. 5th graders are still invited to conduct fundraising in parallel with the theater company.

Garden
Garden program was not discussed during this meeting.

Cash Reserve
A follow-on meeting of the president and treasurer will be scheduled to fully review current cash reserves and the requests for funding discussed during the board meeting.

Fourth Grade Wheel
This year the district will not be providing resources for 4th grade music. Alternative activities are required to ensure that the full time allotted to 4th grade teachers’ IB curriculum development is maintained. Possible options discussed include dedicated library time.

Other Agenda Items
Ceramics Teacher
The McKinley Ceramics program was brought to life by Kouta Shimazaki, Master Japanese potter. Kouta has been instrumental in establishing and running the ceramics program. In recent years Kouta has stepped away from the primary teaching responsibilities while continuing to assist in finding the best ceramics teachers for McKinley students. This year Kouta is unable to assist in finding a ceramics teacher and has asked that the foundation take primary responsibility. Possible candidates are still being interviewed. More to follow.

Dance Instructor
The current dance instructor, Vivianna, will be taking maternity leave for part of this school year. Discussion of finding a substitute was tabled due to the possibility Vivianna has already found a substitute. Maribel and Principal Ganderton are following up on this.
**After School Spanish**
After school Spanish is offered by IES Language Foundation. There have been complaints that classrooms are not being well cared for by the classes. After school Spanish is not part of the ASE program and a classroom has not yet been identified for the fall program.

**Upcoming Events**
Back to School Night, 15 September
Parent Teacher Club meeting, 20 September
Foundation Board meeting, 17 October