

**FRIENDS OF LANAI BOOSTER**  
**Wednesday, February 17, 2010**  
**PTA/FOLB General Meeting**  
**8:30 am – Wald Auditorium**

Present: Laurie Bahar, Farnaz Simantob, Stacy Steinberg, Lynair Beilenson, Miki Chase, Jennifer Goosenberg, Alex Wald, Lisa Liss, Carrie Adelman, Kathy Kantner, Lauren Campbell

Absent: Nancy Abrams

- 1) Welcome (Laurie Bahar)
- 2) Principal's Report (Mrs. Melvin)
  - a) Construction update
    - i) Kinder yard – the yard is being expanded to include a trike track, with a meandering slope leading from the Kinder yard to the newly designated area (previously the handicapped parking area). The parking lot will be re-configured to allow two new handicapped parking spaces at the end of the lot, which should be completed within two weeks time. The concrete area near the flagpole will be repaired to fix root damage that had occurred to the sidewalk area. The new Kinder yard modifications will begin near spring break.
    - ii) Office – The office construction should be completed near spring break. We are awaiting lighting, ceiling and floor completion.
  - b) CST Testing – will begin in May, shortly after spring break. Families are encouraged to make sure their children get plenty of rest, eat well, and stay relaxed during this testing period.
  - c) Character Development – Students are learning about random acts of kindness in their classrooms, in conjunction with a new program the teachers are encouraging. The program is based upon the concept of students “putting another drop in their buckets”. In order to fill their buckets (metaphorically speaking), they can add drops to others' buckets by participating in random acts of kindness.
  - d) School Beautification – each classroom is working on improving their accountability for the school environment. Students are encouraged to pick up their trash and keep their areas clean. Nocturnal animals in the area have been making this especially challenging, as they rummage through the trash cans in the evening hours. Campus cleanliness is improving, and it continues to be a work in progress.
- 3) Financial Summary Report (Lynair Beilenson – Treasurer)
  - a) Current account balance is \$484,715; no further inquiries or discussion was brought forth.
- 4) Buccaneer Ball Update (Farnaz Simantob, Alex Wald & Carrie Adelman)
  - a) It's coming – **MARCH 13<sup>th</sup>**!
  - b) ***Don't forget to RSVP if you haven't already done so. And thanks, if you have!***
  - c) Family sponsor Opportunities, Party-books, Solicitations
    - i) Incredible array of high quality items this year, including American Idol tickets, walk on parts, amazing trips, autographed memorabilia, VIP tickets to local sporting events, LAPD ride along, and so much more!
    - ii) Extensive variety of party books will be available, including Pulse Fitness, Cooking, Tennis, Poker, and more; don't miss these excellent opportunities for community activities with other Lanai families!
  - d) Costume accessories will be on sale during the next couple of weeks, and will include items such as buccaneer hats for men and women, pirate-themed necklaces, eye-patches, head scarves, and more.
  - e) Special thanks to our auction corporate sponsors - **McDonalds, Hilltop Cleaners & Dr. To**
- 5) LoVE Fund Update (Lauren Campbell)
  - a) Our goal is 100% participation – at any level.
  - b) LoVE Fund response is higher this year than any other year in Lanai's history. We are still hoping for 100% participation, so please consider a donation in this new tax year if you have not done so already.
  - c) Anyone interested in decreasing the number of installments they had originally designated is encouraged to speak with Laurie Bahar.
  - d) 2009 tax/thank you letters in the mail.

- 6) Grants (Kathy Kantner)
  - a) Loews Foundation \$4400 for shade structure and garden repairs
    - i) Notification date pending in May
  - b) Lucky Foundation
    - i) Applied for \$8000 in playground equipment 12/20/09
    - ii) Notification in April
  - c) Target Foundation
    - i) We received a check for \$800 for a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade field trip to Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Reserve; we will be coordinating this opportunity through the Audubon Society.
  - d) City Beautification Matching grant
    - i) We did not receive this grant this year, though we have been funded for this in the past.
  - e) City National Bank
    - i) \$1000 grant opportunity being coordinated by Mrs. Ayola, who will be notified directly by the end of the month.
  - f) Wonder Of Reading Grant
    - i) We did not receive this grant this year, due to the fact that we have an adequate level of books
  - g) Science Grant
    - i) Ms. Hinkson and Jill Donaty will be submitting a letter of intent for this grant; more information will follow.
  
- 7) Rummage Sale (Farnaz Simantob & Heidi Azera)
  - a) Start saving items for April 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> event.
  - b) We are seeking a new chair person for this great annual event!
  
- 8) In these tough economic times, reminder to support other FOLB fundraisers
  - a) Purchase Power (Veronica Kon)
    - i) Please use the Purchase Power card provided in BPN as a quick reference for all Purchase Power opportunities
  - b) The Hut (Allisa Daquino & Juliet Felton)
    - i) The Hut will begin selling Yum Yum Yogurt this week, as a new item
  - c) Birthday Book Club (Ali Perdigao)
    - i) Parents are encouraged to purchase a book for the library in honor of their child's birthday. The book will be specially dedicated and featured in the library.
  - d) Spirit Wear (Lisa Liss)
    - i) Please continue to support Spirit Wear and check out the extensive items available for viewing on our web site.
  
- 9) Spooktacular (Carrie Adelman & Stacy Steinberg)
  - a) While Spooktacular 2010 is still in the distance, we are kicking off next year's event with our annual T-Shirt drawing contest. Please encourage your children to submit contest entries for a chance to have their drawing appear on the 2010 T-Shirt! Contest forms will be available in the office and in this week's BPN, and entries may be submitted to the office through March 26<sup>th</sup>.
  - b) We are looking for someone to chair the rides and games committee this year, to apprentice the position with Miki Chase. Please notify Stacy or Carrie if you are interested in this exciting and important job!
  
- 10) Heading toward Spring, FOLB will be looking for fundraising ideas and feedback in planning for 2010-2011 school year.
  
- 11) FOLB calendar items...
  - a) March 17<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30am - Next FOLB/PTA Meeting
  - b) March 13<sup>th</sup> - Lanai's Annual Spring Auction & Gala
  - c) April 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> - Rummage Sale
  - d) April 19<sup>th</sup> - April 30<sup>th</sup> - Laps for Lanai pledge period
  - e) May 27-28<sup>th</sup> - Laps for Lanai run