

River Family Foundation Meeting:

February 18th 6-7pm

Agenda Items:

Welcome Items:

Laura Webb: Call to order

Approval of Meeting meetings

Motion to approve the minutes: Dan Lintz/
Shae Hunter second.

Carlotta Sinato: **Safe Routes to School.**
Napa country biking coalition partnered with NCOE. National movement to get more kids out of cars when going to school. Ideally skating, biking carpooling, public transit. Safety routes to school walk audit = staff opportunity to meet with stakeholders (parents, faculty or after school programs) to identify safety barriers that prevent kids from taking alternative transit and work toward solutions. The coalition will be observing River school and add results to their audit. 90 minutes activity/ March 3rd at 2:30. Looking for parent and faculty volunteers (ideally 5) to help observe and participate. Parent square post/ **Laura Webb** will do.

President Report (Laura Webb)

Laura Webb: evolution from Charter to new campus. How do we communicate as a community the value of this program? We had a 4 hour branding workshop, led by Nancy Leavenberg. Participants were staff, faculty, board members. We are hoping to then use the workshop as a platform to continue our discussion about the mission of our school and the culture we are wanting to cultivate. This message will help attract students and families to our schools and for purposes of fundraising. **Dan Lintz:** value was the staff and what they brought to our workshop.

Laura Webb: encouraging parents to observe a class for purposes of understanding better and experiencing what makes River school so great. Kids are well behaved and well spoken, teachers were engaged etc. This will also help us be stewards in the community promoting River school.

Laura Webb: Teacher appreciation a few times a year. This will help teachers come

together and experience a feel for community. Would like to vote on allocating trimester funds to supplement lunch for staff once. Wednesdays are the best day for teachers can hang out. Going to carve out funds from celebrations budget \$3000 to include teacher appreciation (no more than \$1000).

Principal Report:

New student orientation. Kept it short and didn't want to ask for money. Introduction. A card with the 4 R's (voice, community and sense of self) Drumming performance. A great night. New families were very receptive.

Project night is on March 10th 6-8pm. Want to combine this night with ribbon cutting. Food trucks from 5-6. Classroom element 6-7. Ribbon cutting from 7-8.

Edible School Yard: Great experience. Interesting to see how they have organized. Every day they cycle through the garden through science. Then they have cooking through social studies. Integrating into the classroom. Discussions about food pricing. What stood out is the communal table. Additionally, they have a pergola fit with benches and they do affirmations etc.

Track and Field not complete. Adding sod/ finished by April. Working on drainage.

Cafeteria Kids LOVE their new space. It is seamless.

District is going through financial stuff. We are ok. Our enrollment is up.

Meeting with Linda Inlay regarding school culture. She has brought some ideas up. Question would be: do we want to invest in using a measuring tool. Customizable. Is the Family Foundation interested? \$3000.00.

Stacey E.

River gear order. What should we order? Students getting ready for project night.

Macaela Miller/Luau

Meeting weekly. Big push on donation gathering. Focusing on logistics side. We were falling short in areas of donations/packages. Other details: food and beverage. Trying to piece together. Was the food and wine donated? Clarification on class items/ still becoming clear. Explore buy-a-spot/ movie night.

Shae Miller

Would the board please consider starting meetings at 5:45?

At News host Friday the 28th 12:30-1 lunch project with fun activities. Front page in the register. Only able to do 6 schools this year because it's a popular program. Talking about healthy and positive relationships. Orange 4 Love.

Megan Eierman/Single Use Plastic Free

Megan presented outline of proposed movement forward in phases to eventually eliminate single use plastic from River. Education and then action. Will spearhead and then follow up with soliciting help as needed. Laura proposed looping in the Register to cover, promoting River.

John Hamilton/Budget

Teachers were given \$250 for classroom supplies totaling \$5000.

Laura Webb:

Sponsorships in an annual level/not per event. 2021 year but will continue to receive benefits now.

Adjourn

