

Korematsu Elementary PTO at Mace Ranch

(Parent Teacher Organization)
3100 Loyola Drive – Davis, CA 95618
<http://korematupto.org>

Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2009

PTO board members present: Marc Ishisaka-Nolfi, President; Shari Ludden, vice president; Sandra Perry, vice president; Stacey Horigan, treasurer. Meeting minutes by VP Sandra.

Staff present: Mary Ponce, Vicki Rinne.

Parents/participants: Sherry Heins, Sujatha Jagadeesh Branch, Joanne Ayers, Laney Mangney, Alicia Mattson, Betsy Solomon

Call to order

- The meeting was called to order by President Marc at 7:00 pm, in the Library.

New/old business

• Principal's Report

- Ms. Ponce is coordinating and setting up equipment to show the inauguration. Intermediate students will view the inauguration in the MPR. Primary grades will congregate around TVs.
- Ms. Ponce provided an overview of the current state budget status. Education funding will be hit hard. She will be focusing her efforts on prioritizing programs and will need to look for ways to redistribute money based on priorities.
- Teachers and students are preparing for the upcoming oral language fair.
- March 12th is kindergarten recruitment/orientation
- Student council is up and running. Need to set up classroom representatives.

• Garden Fence

Sandra Perry checked with additional vendors for fence bids with no success. Marc will contact the person he originally got a bid from to get another bid.

• School Directory and "Korematsu Kids" Newsletter

KPTO is proceeding with developing a school directory using an "opt out" process.

Costs to photocopy the school newsletter will soon exceed our budget. The group offered suggestions to reduce costs:

- Produce the newsletter every other week instead of weekly.
- Distribute the newsletter via e-mail.
- Mary will do a survey to determine which teachers have complete e-mail lists and will provide that information to Marc.
- At a minimum, the newsletter could be distributed by e-mail to some classes, reducing copying expenses. This approach is also consistent with the "green" theme.
- Parent reps could help determine how to distribute the newsletter in each class. However, we have not yet established parent reps for all classrooms.

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- **Treasurer’s Report / School T-Shirts**

Stacey Horigan reported on the status of the KPTO budget.

	Dec 11, '08 - Jan 14, 09
Income	
E-script revenue	184.89
Fundraising	1,271.90
Total Income	1,456.79
Expense	
Hospitality	256.74
T-Shirt Cost	2,772.52
Total Expense	3,029.26
Net Income	-1,572.47

	Sep 1, '08 - Jan 14, 09
Income	
Donations	2,272.60
E-script revenue	942.06
Fundraising	3,840.90
Membership Dues	1,170.00
Total Income	8,225.56
Expense	
Book sale expense	121.63
Club Expenses	109.18
Copy Exp	42.08
Garden Exp.	254.14
Hospitality	1,168.18
Merchant fees	16.27
Operating Expenses	
Supplies	135.82
Total Operating Expenses	135.82
Programs	128.85
T-Shirt Cost	2,772.52
Teacher Grants	550.00
Total Expense	5,298.67
Net Income	2,926.89

- We now have 117 paid members.
- Stacey has distributed all of the T-shirts.

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- PTO made about \$700 on T-shirt sales.
- There appears to be demand for additional T-shirts so she will announce another T-shirt order in the next newsletter.
- She would like to get a few additional T-shirts for inventory.
- Ms. Ponce is encouraging students to wear their T-shirts on Fridays.

• Fundraising

Joanne Ayers provided an update. (See fundraising statement at the end of this document).

- Joanne notified the three winners of the membership drive competition.
- The membership drive generated 17 new supporters.
- She submitted the required paperwork for the 1,000,000 Campbell Soup points.
- Need a committee to determine how the Campbell Soup points should be spent.
- Marc will attend the next teacher staff meeting to discuss needs.
- Joanne will talk with Brianne about proceeding with fund raising activities.
- Monica has volunteered to coordinate the auction. Joanne will contact Monica.

• Hospitality

Alicia Mattson provided an update on hospitality.

- Alicia is looking for ideas to help increase parent participation.
- Ms. Ponce requested that the PTO provide light snacks for Kindergarten orientation night
- Next teacher appreciation week will be during parent/teacher conference week, March 2-6.
- Alicia would like to create posters to provide parents with facts and information about Davis schools, particularly with regard to the budget situation. Ms. Ponce encouraged Alicia to check in with her first because the information is constantly changing. It is important that information presented to the public is current and correct.

• Upcoming Events

Korematsu Remembrance Movie Night will occur on February 25. The group discussed an additional event to draw parents, for example Oral Language Fair readings.

Marc is coordinating with Explorit regarding Science days at Korematsu.

- Every class will have an Explorit session, resulting in 21 separate sessions.
- Explorit will cover 4-5 different topics (1 per day)
- Also considering an evening event in the MPR, possibly at the end of February.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting

Wednesday, February 4, 7:00 pm, in the Library

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PTO officers

- Marc Ishisaka-Nolfi, president
- Shari Ludden, first vice president
- Sandra Walter-Perry, second vice-president
- Stacey Horigan, treasurer
- Richard Reed, secretary

PTO position/committee chairs

- Betsy Solomon Auditor
- Joanne Ayers Fundraising chair
- Marc Ishisaka-Nolfi Garden chair
- TBD GATE rep
- Alicia Mattson Hospitality chair
- Marc Ishisaka-Nolfi Korematsu Kids school newsletter editor
- Dennis Spann Parliamentarian
- PTO/SSC SPAC rep(s)

Korematsu Elementary School - Fundraising Summary as of 31 December 2008

	2007/2008	2008/2009	Goal
Members / Donations (104 members)		\$ 1,800.00	\$ 6,266.00
eScrip	\$ 781.39	\$ 422.68	\$ 1,500.00
Nugget Scrip	\$ 1,773.60	\$ 830.09	\$ 3,500.00
Nugget friendship club - receipts	\$ 449.77		\$ 500.00
Box Tops	\$ 172.20		\$ 700.00
Goodsearch	\$ 20.00		\$ 50.00
Chevy's fundraiser (Oct 2007)	\$ 320.00		\$ 500.00
Steve's Pizza fundraiser (Jan 2008)	\$ 240.00		\$ 500.00
Dos Coyotes fundraiser (Jun 2008)	\$ 82.67		\$ 500.00
Habit Burger fundraiser	\$ -		\$ 500.00
Wine Tasting-Rominger	\$ -		\$ 500.00
Science Night	\$ 40.00		
Scholastic book fair Fall	\$100 cash to each teacher or \$200 in scholastic product, \$532 worth of books for library		
Scholastic book fair Spring	\$200 cash to each teacher, library \$300		
Kidzart (Classes Sept-Dec 2007, 5% proceeds)	\$ 81.83		
Book fair bake sale	\$ 67.00		\$ 300.00
Movie night	\$ -		\$ 100.00
T-shirt sales	\$ -		\$ 700.00
Spring plant sales	\$ -		\$ 200.00
Silent Auction	\$ -		\$ 12,000.00
Campbell's Soup	1,001,876 pts!	1,000,000pts	
Total	\$ 4,028.46	\$ 3,052.77	\$ 28,316.00

Fundraising Team

e-scrip	Joanne Ayers
Nugget scrip	Joanne Ayers
Nugger receipts	Rebecca Brunette
Box Tops	Laney Mangney
Campbells soup	Joanne Ayers
School auction	Monica Reeves
December mailing	Dennis Spann
TBD	Stephen Inouye
Members/Donations	Stacey Horigan
Goodsearch	?
Restaurant fundraisers	Brianne Agate
Bake sales	?
Movie night	?
T-shirt sales	Lina Layiktez
Spring Plant sales	?



eScrip - % varies by merchant

Sep-06	\$ 91.66	7 supporters
Oct-06	\$ 21.09	8 supporters
Nov-06	\$ 17.09	9 supporters
Dec-06	\$ 29.04	12 supporters
Jan-07	\$ 17.95	12 supporters
Feb-07	\$ 19.27	14 supporters
Mar-07	\$ 18.23	15 supporters
Apr-07	\$ 22.24	16 supporters
May-07	\$ 35.15	18 supporters
Jun-07	\$ 16.74	19 supporters
Jul-07	\$ 29.91	24 supporters
Aug-07	\$ 34.88	17 supporters
Sep-07	\$ 111.10	42 supporters
Oct-07	\$ 49.25	43 supporters
Nov-07	\$ 68.89	43 supporters
Dec-07	\$ 51.06	43 supporters
Jan-08	\$ 55.66	45 supporters
Feb-08	\$ 67.67	45 supporters
Mar-08	\$ 58.32	45 supporters
Apr-08	\$ 66.97	50 supporters
May-08	\$ 103.35	51 supporters
Jun-08	\$ 39.84	52 supporters
Jul-08	\$ 74.40	53 supporters
Aug-08	\$ 79.01	57 supporters
Sep-08	\$ 160.36	62 supporters
Oct-08	\$ 100.17	68 supporters
Nov-08	\$ 83.14	70 supporters

\$ 1,522.44

Nugget Scrip - 3%

Sep-06	\$ -	-
Oct-06	\$ -	-
Nov-06	\$ -	-
Dec-06	\$ -	-
Jan-07	\$ 32.33	5 supporters
Feb-07	\$ 23.65	5 supporters
Mar-07	\$ 40.50	5 supporters
Apr-07	\$ 59.36	7 supporters
May-07	\$ 60.02	9 supporters
Jun-07	\$ 64.25	7 supporters
Jul-07	\$ 61.26	8 supporters
Aug-07	\$ 59.40	7 supporters
Sep-07	\$ 130.71	11 supporters
Oct-07	\$ 182.15	17 supporters
Nov-07	\$ 199.40	22 supporters
Dec-07	\$ 176.20	21 supporters
Jan-08	\$ 126.19	16 supporters
Feb-08	\$ 139.53	17 supporters
Mar-08	\$ 176.83	17 supporters
Apr-08	\$ 176.35	20 supporters
May-08	\$ 189.24	19 supporters
Jun-08	\$ 122.60	16 supporters
Jul-08	\$ 95.00	11 supporters
Aug-08	\$ 159.64	17 supporters
Sep-08	\$ 184.39	23 supporters
Oct-08	\$ 218.89	
Nov-08	\$ 267.17	32 supporters

\$ 2,945.06

Merchants in Davis/Sac to shop at for e-scrip: Safeway, Big 5, Osaka Sushi, Round Table, Macy's, Eddie Bauer, Redrum Burger, Sushi unlimited, Seasons, Kathmandu, Lamppost pizza, Pho Bac Hoa Vietnam, Star of India, Bistro 33, Brew it up, Gaylords

Nugget friendship club - receipts 1%

May-08	\$ 100.97
May-08	\$ 181.24
Jun-08	\$ 167.56
\$	449.77

Superintendent Parent Advisory Committee (SPAC) January 9, 2009 Meeting

Davis Bridge Foundation

Founder and Executive Director of the Davis Bridge Foundation, Janet Boulware, presented an overview of the foundation's mission and current involvement with the school children of DJUSD. The foundation is a non-profit, privately funded after school homework club focused on serving low-income, academically-at-risk children. Currently the organization serves a combined 170 students a day at four sites: Harper Junior High, Montgomery Elementary, Patwin Elementary and Korematsu Elementary. Each quarter more than 100 tutors work with the students. The tutors are almost entirely UC Davis undergraduates enrolled in an associated course or as part of a work study partnership. Davis Bridge works to provide tutoring, mentoring, and community outreach.

Superintendent James Hammond pointed out the need to expand the program to include Davis High students. There are already waiting lists of students at each of the sites currently being served.

More information can be found at the foundation's website: davisbridge.org
Janet Boulware can be contacted at janetb@davisbridge.org

Update from Parcel Tax Oversight Committee

Associate Superintendent Bruce Colby presented a power point overview of the Parcel Tax Oversight Committee and the associated annual tax revenue of \$4,150,600.

Two new funding commitments include additional math programs and nutrition. Dorothy Peterson spoke to the partnership with the Farm-to-School Foundation and asked that any new ideas be forwarded to that groups Vision Committee.

Budget Update

Dr. Hammond spoke to the priorities of preserving programs and remaining fiscally solvent. Although the deadline for notification to certificated personnel is March 15, the goal is to minimize reductions to staff. The process involved in achieving a final June budget is balancing the streams of revenue with cuts to allocations. At this time the dollar amount of the cut is known (2.5 million this academic year and 3.3 million for 2009-2010) but the form is unknown. The district has instituted a mid-year freeze on categorical carryover and a general slowdown on spending in order to maximize potential increases to categorical flexibility.

The District's Budget Advisory Committee, led by Bruce Colby, meets on a regular basis. The passage of Measure W has changed the scope of some budgetary planning because combined with the Measure Q revenue stream there will be 6.5 million dollars worth of protected programs next year.

Dr. Hammond plans additional communication regarding the district's budget as more definitive information is received from the Governor's office.

Grade Level Configuration

Dr. Hammond and staff will be hosting meetings this month at all three JHSs and DHS regarding grade level configuration. These meetings are open to all and will focus on community input regarding the possible reconfiguration of DHS to include grades 9-12.

Next Meeting – February 6, 2009 (will be lead by Bruce Colby and Pam Mari)