



**Meeting Minutes**  
**Friday, September 1, 2023**

**1. In Attendance**

Janie Lippert	Monica Fryman	Jenn Cappalo	Lori Solis	Sarah Voros	Jenna Saavedia
Kelley Rodolff	Julie Stodghill	Amanda Ricardo	Rachel Tarver	Alicia Juday	Heva Morquecho
Stacey LaChance	Tammy Jakobs	Monica Chavez	Courtney Harris	Tori Ward	Debbie Ugarte
Kaysee Kirby	Stephanie Caine	Sarah McCarthy	Tatyana Kisel	Elise Melser	Ryan Coates
Melissa Miano	Jennifer Aplitsiotis	Amber Dewey	Joanne Blasco	Sarah Fashano	Evva Holdbrook
Erin Geisler	Megan Hamnc	Negin lewis	Jamie Pauly	Jessie Lucas	Lindsey Hafemann
Cara Samelson	Keith Hamnc	Chassity Dawson	Guy Fashano	Dana Herrera	Hannah Marks
Megan Cooper	Paul Davis	Olivia Roepke	Jen Parisi	Amanda Medina	Lianna Shaw
Kristi Griego	Lindsey Staples	Brianne Kinder	Irina Oneil	Kristi English	Candace DiMarco
Amanda Pinzon	Madison Shales	Amy Wilkenson	Jessica Azevedo	Jen Howells	
Cortney Trudeau	Leah Lammers	Chelsea Breit	Megan Thomas	Geika Baldwin	

**2. Opening/Welcome – Janie Lippert**

- a. Welcome new families
- b. Salvation Army will be sponsoring Family Fest- Thank you to Laura Hesse for helping

**3. Prayer – Erin Geisler**

**4. TK-9th Update- Kevin Hood TK-9th Principal and Jessup McGregor, Head of Schools**

- a. Teacher retention: 19/20 teachers came back from our previous years
- b. The school needs to hire one more teacher’s aide. Work day is Monday-Friday, 8am-1pm. Applicants can complete an application through the ACS website under the “Join Our Team” link.
- c. Middle school- 6,7,8th has been going well overall, there has been a lot of change for these students and families.
- d. High school- 24 students, every single new hire has 10+ years of experience in their subject.
- e. Our school population is almost at 900 kids from preschool - high school
- f. New things- launched high school, piloting a home-school program, currently it’s a partnership with other homeschool families so they can take classes with us and extend our reach into the community.



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- g. This school year, we will be working towards the accreditation process for approval by the Western Association of Schools and College (WASC) in addition to ACSI, who we are members of already.
- h. We are about to be approved High school athletics through the CA interscholastic Federation, who governs all California high school sports.
- i. Athletic field is still in the works.
- j. ACS is building out a practice facility at Bayside Blue Oaks with a full sized basketball court for our students because A101 is too small for a full sized court. We are using funds that were raised through the Warrior Run and Auction Dinner last 2022/23 school year.
- k. Safety measures increased on campus, administration is working to have all school buildings have locked doors during the school day, allowing access to the buildings via a buzzer. Middle School/High school building still needs to be completed.
- l. ACS Cafe inherited from the church- ACS now owns and runs the cafe. Prices were decreased.
  - i. Volunteers needed during the week. 6-9th graders are able to use the cafe during the school day for lunches and snacks.
  - ii. Volunteer hours- 7am (teaching staff)-4pm, 8am will be open to parents depending on volunteers, open on Sundays.
  - iii. Use admin QR code to sign up to volunteer.
  - iv. Cafe funds go directly back to the school, as of now it will go to the general fund
- m. Parent committee for the middle school/high school classes in place of specific room moms per teacher. The sign up form will be sent out in this weekend's text newsletter.

### **5. Preschool Update – Paula Williams**

- a. There are still a few spots open in preschool as of September 1, 2023.

### **6. The “Why” behind APC- Kelley Rodolff**

- a. We love and believe in our school. We want our staff to feel appreciated and supported as they support our children.
- b. We believe in creating a community of parents who focus first on God and lead with love, inclusiveness, and intentionality.




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- c. What APC is- Adventure parents collectively supporting our staff throughout the year with teacher appreciation, celebrations, and events all while partnering with our administration to help create community.
- d. What APC is not- APC is not a board governing any aspect of our school. We do not control school money, administrative decisions, make rules, or dictate policies for the school.

### **7. Team Lead Introductions and updates**

- a. **APC QR code** will be available at APC meetings, back to school night and should be available periodically in school emails. It is also linked here  [APCvolunteer.pdf](#)
- Kristi Griego – Room Parent Coordinator
  - a. Scan QR code to sign up for room mom at Back to School night.
  - b. Kristi will contact the room parents when they are chosen.
  - c. There are two separate QR codes: Admin has QR code for class sign ups and APC has QR code to volunteer for APC
  - d. Room Parent description: a liaison between the teachers and families. The Room Parent works alongside the teacher to help with class parties, Dance-A-Thon, teacher and aid birthday celebrations, and more. The Room Parent will send emails informing parents of volunteer and donation opportunities.
    - i. To sign up to be considered, parents need to sign up using the ACS QR code, the QR code was available at Meet the Teacher and will be available at Back to School Night on September 7, 2023.
- Amanda Pinzon – Spirit Wear
  - a. Goals for Spirit Wear this school year:
    - i. Grow the brand this year even more
    - ii. Have spirit wear on site, working to get staple items and inventory
    - iii. Pop up shop on back to school night 9/7/23,
    - iv. Have a 24/7 online shop available
      - 1. Sizes: toddler size to adult sizes are planned to be available
  - b. Plan to launch an online store for pre-orders in the beginning of September 2023.
  - c. All spirit wear funds goes back to supporting the teachers and outreach (i.e., teacher appreciation, etc.)




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- Julie Stodghill - Treasurer
  - a. No updates at this time
  
- Monica Fryman – Communications
  - a. Plan to Launch an APC Social Media handle, more information to come- per Janie Lippert
  
- Erin Geisler – Prayer
  - a. Prayer Walk- was on August 26th, 2023. This is a day where ACS families come together to pray over different areas of the school.
  - b. Prayer Dates (Next two dates: Wednesday, September 13th and September 27th)
    - i. 8:15am preschool- high school parents are all welcome
    - ii. Pray for 15 minutes and then preschool parents can leave to drop preschoolers off to class.
    - iii. In addition to prayer, Prayer cards are completed for teachers and staff during meetings.
    - iv. Parents can come pray and leave when they need to based on their schedule.
    - v. Prayer group will be using a new app for communication, more details to come regarding the new communication app.
  
- Cara Samelson – Fundraising
  - a. Focuses on getting items donated for school events such as Family Fest and other events.
  - b. Sign up to help fundraising through the QR code, if you can or know someone that can sponsor any of our events that would be helpful so we can use our funds to support our faculty.
  - c. The more that is donated or sponsored, the more funds we have to give back to our teachers and kids.
  - d. Planning on having local fundraising nights, one that Cara is working on is with Old Town Pizza. When these events are confirmed families will be informed .
  
- Mel Miano – Event Coordinator
  - a. First big event is Family Fest on Friday October 13, 2023
    - i. Help is needed leading up to the event (decor, stuffing popcorn bags and more) and to set up in the morning of the Family Fest.



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- b. QR code for sign up- this will have you join the team, there will be an individual sign up for each specific event.
  - c. Family Fest is after the Dance-A-Thon, which is a school sponsored fundraising event. The Family Fest is to celebrate our families at this free event. No parent volunteers are needed during the event. There will be bounce houses, food, raffles, dunk the teacher and more. This will be on a minimum day.
  - d. More details coming soon.
- Kaysee Kirby – Family Outreach
    - a. We use APC funds to support our faculty and APC families (immediate)
    - b. We want to support our ACS family through prayer, cards, flowers and gift cards/money.
    - c. If someone is seeking assistance in any way, contact APC, admin or Kaysee directly.
  - Stacey LaChance – Secretary
    - a. Please note: APC meeting minutes will be completed by the following Tuesday after each APC meeting. Meeting minutes are posted under *More* → *Adventure Parent Connection* on the ACS website.
  - Megan Cooper – Family Connection and Preschool Liaison
    - a. Megan reached out to all new families via email or phone calls to welcome families to our school and invited them to the New Family Lunch.
    - b. Many new families joined the New family lunch
    - c. Feel free to reach out directly to Megan or anyone on APC leadership with any questions you may have.
    - d. New families are encouraged to volunteer for hot lunch, APC, cafe and more.
    - e. Goal this year: organize new family playdates/hang outs by grades or grouping grades together to help families get to know each other.
  - Cortney Trudeau – Teacher Appreciation
    - a.  Teacher Resource Room Project.pdf - Handout given at meeting
      - i. Goal is to create a fun, inviting environment in the preschool, elementary and middle school/high school resource rooms and keep the fridge stocked for faculty.
      - ii. Middle/high school- provide the work room with a new supported back chair



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- iii. Budget: the total yearly budget is \$2825. See handout above for more information and yearly budget.
- iv. Scan the APC QR code, to join the Teacher Appreciation team.
- b. On the first day the faculty returned back to school, APC gave teachers a bag that said ACS as a welcome back gift.
- c. On the first day of school APC brought donuts for faculty in the morning and had a lemonade stand for the teachers at the end of the school day.
- d. Families can either take monetary donations or sign up via Sign Up Genius to bring in individual items.
- e. Cortney will be utilizing a communication app called Band app where she will link a monthly Sign up Genius form as well as have an option for monetary contributions.

### **9. Open Questions and Comments-**

#### **Comments:**

- A. All Pro Dads- is for dads and kids. Bring your kids to school early at 7AM, there is a message, table talk with your kids, bring your own breakfast, there is a raffle, it's a time for dads and kids to spend time together. Each kid can earn an extra raffle ticket by bringing in travel size toiletry items that are donated to the Gathering Inn.
- B. ACS Moms and Dads Facebook page- this page is for ACS families to ask questions, notify what is going on at school. It's a place for parents to chat and get to know each other. This facebook page is not sponsored by the school, it's run by parents for the parents.
- C. Box Tops:
  - a. Students can earn free dress with every \$2.50 in box tops. Email [info@adventurechristian.org](mailto:info@adventurechristian.org) with a screenshot of your total amount of Box Tops from the Box Top app.
  - b. You will have to download the Box Top app, scan your store receipt within 14 days of purchase or it will expire.
  - c. Box Tops funds the Accelerated Reader Program



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- D. Silver and Blue Football Game- we have 2 flag football teams and 125 cheerleaders. The goal is to have it feel somewhat of a homecoming. September 20th, details are being finalized. It will be after school. Location is TBD but most likely will be held at William Jessup University.

### Questions and Answers:

Q. Where do I find QR codes?

- A. Back to school night, it will be sent in emails. The APC sign up form will be linked to the APC web page located on the ACS website.

 [APCvolunteer.pdf](#)

Q. Is 516 still an approved location for embroidery?

- A. Yes. The logo has changed for this school year but you can still use your embroidered shirts from previous years as well.

Q. How can we contact APC leadership?

- A. APC Leadership emails will soon be updated and available on the APC webpage.

### Important Upcoming Dates:

- No School: Monday, September 1st
- Back to School Night: Thursday, September 7th (no kiddos)
- Silver and Blue Football Game: Wednesday, September 20th
- Night Out with Adventure: Thursday, September 28th
- All Pro Dads: Friday, September 22nd
- Spirit Week: October 9 - 13th
- Danceathon and Family Fest: Friday, October 13th
  
- **Next APC Meeting: Friday, October 6th at 8:45 in Discovery Corner**