

Adventure Parent Connection (APC)
Meeting Minutes
Friday, April 8, 2022

1. In attendance:

Tobin Wilkins	Kelly McGregor	Renee Flores	Bryanna Coughlan	Kaysee Kirby
Amanda Medina	Eva Holdbrook	Chris M.	Kristi Griego	Chelsea Breit
Julie Stodghill	Monica Chavez	Chris Chavez	Lindsay Stadley	Carolyn Frank
Jennifer Cappalo	Erin Smith-Geisler	Tolia Dooley	Jessica Ring	Ryan Ring
Megan Thomas	Karen Surface	Melissa Bowers	Monica Fryman	Mrs. Williams
Tiffany Lathrop	Sarah Whetstine	Janie Lippert	Kayla Daves	Jamie Pauly
Jason Krogh	Tiffany Jones			

2. Opening/Welcome – Kelly McGregor

3. Prayer – Tobin Wilkins

4. TK-8 & Preschool Update – Renee Flores & Paula Williams

- We've had some fun Spring activities, all is going well!
- Preschool registration is completely full for next year; this is unheard of so quickly after registration opened.
- K-8th is almost full, very few classes have spots remaining.
- 4th graders are presently on the Rock 'n Water field trip – really amazing event only for 4th graders. Feedback from camp that our students have been one of their most polite groups; so nice to hear this feedback.
- 8th grade is sponsoring an egg hunt for 7th grade and having an icecream social in honor of Easter.
- 8th grader event coming up: ministry fair to plan, create and sell an item with money raised going to AIM, an organization that rescues victims of human trafficking. Items have included various food creations, homemade lip gloss, cake pop cookie dough, etc. Please come! Much like a street fair right here at our school!

5. Mother/Son Event – Sarah Whetstine

- A special evening for mothers and sons, coming up on April 29, 5:30-8:30pm at Bayside Blue Oaks Campus.
- The event is almost at capacity: registration opened April 4 and we are already at 305 attendees
- The theme is "I love you to the moon and back" and will include many fun activities such as bungee jump (like at the mall), Razor go karts (same used at Breakaway summer camp, 25 ft rock climbing wall (4 kids at a time), space simulator for young ones, dip n dots as a treat, pizza/salad, 2 photo booths, craft for the boys, raffle (items such as air pods, lego sets, hoverboard, light up scooters, mini fridge), DJ, music.
- Going to cap the event at 200 boys so that everyone will have a chance with the various activities. We don't want guests to purchase tickets and then be over crowded and the boys not be able to reasonably access the activities.
- Attire: flexible...really whatever you want your kids in, there is no dress code. Sarah will likely dress her boys in shorts/short sleeve shirt with bowtie. Gap has space themed shirts 50% off right now.

- We need a lot of help/volunteers. Passing around a sign up right now, hoping to get some help especially from dads and moms that have girls so that moms of boys can come and enjoy the event. Two time slots to choose from so you don't have to be there the whole time – helping with registration upon arrival, lining up kids for the activities, picking up pizza before the event, etc. The sign up will also be posted on school social media and emailed out.
- Monica Fryman is putting together a slideshow of photos of boys and moms so if you're attending begin to think about what you want to send in; doing some interviews of boys asking questions about their mom.

6. Spirit Wear/Budget Update – Kayla Daves

- New spirit wear has arrived; sold this morning inside by the cafe, selling again at warrior wall after school today
- Budget will be updated after sales today
- The new socks and hats were popular this morning and tend to sell out fast
- Kayla is looking for a partner for next year to help design the spirit wear, give input, help sell.

7. APC Positions for 2022/23 – Jamie Robben

- Team leads and team members are needed for next year
- * Spirit Wear: We are looking for someone to partner with Kayla to help lead Spirit Wear. It involves designing, ordering and selling spirit wear. We also would love to have people on the spirit wear team who love to connect with families and want to help sell.
- * Family Connection: We are looking for someone who loves connecting with people and helping parents find their “place” at our school. We would also love to grow the team so we can reach more families. This may look like occasional café meetups or creating other opportunities for families to connect. This is an important role to welcome people in!

8. Prayer Team Update – Erin Geisler

- We meet every other Wednesday in Discovery Corner to pray, fill out cards for teachers to know they were prayed for
- Not many weeks left, come join us!
- Security guard, Scott, shared that he was very touched that he was prayed for

9. Room Mom Update – Bryanna Coughlan

- No auction event this year, which is typically something room moms help with
- Communication with room moms about Easter parties, and soon about teacher appreciation week. For teacher appreciation week, some years we have had structured suggestions of what parents can do each day that week for teacher appreciation, other years we've let room moms decide. But will definitely provide room moms some guidance to make sure each day that week is covered. For example, we don't want some teachers to be receiving lots of items each day and other teachers to only receive items on Friday. This takes a little coordination, as we'd like each teacher to get some sort of fun each day that week, even if it's small such as a homemade card or flower from the yard.

10. Teach Appreciation Week – Jamie Pauly

- May 9th-13th – Hollywood theme (roll out the red carpet, etc)
- Staff survey was sent out to collect input on what feel blessed by during teacher appreciation week. 50 people responded and this info is being factored in.

- APC celebrates the teachers/aides, classrooms also celebrate separately by doing special things for the teachers.

11. Parent Comments/Questions:

- Will there be an auction/dinner fundraiser this May? Not this year.

- Update on Ellie, ACS 1st grader diagnosed with cancer in December. Has a few chemo treatments left, but progress is positive and she is in good spirits. Done with chemo first week of June, in time to start school in-person on time next year! Designed a shirt "Ellie's Prayer Warriors" – hoping all 1st graders will buy and come to drive by parade. More info to come.

- Question from an ACS grandparent: 2 grandkids at the school...can we have an update on the sports field? We had gotten to the final stages of approvals to begin building and hit a problem with the water department. The campus is at their limit for water usage with current pipe size. Have to increase water line, another \$150K cost. Need to raise that money. On top of that, we have now hit pause as we look at if we can build a high school on the campus. This has always been a desire, and we have increased pressure and need to determine once and for all if it can be done on this campus. It is currently not looking favorable due to our property use permit, max square footage of buildable space. That is why there has been a pause on the sports field. Trying to wrap up the conclusion of whether we can build a small high school – which would impact how the sports area is built and laid out. We expect by end of this school year to have a decision on the high school, which will free us to move forward. We are very interested in having a high school, but also don't want to hurt what we have here already as a fantastic Preschool through 8th grade.

- Parent Question: Next year with our principal, Mrs. Flores, retiring, when we will have an idea of who is coming in and what to expect? Mr. Wilkins responded: Perfect lead in question to an announcement he has to make today: after a great deal of prayer and struggle – Mr. Wilkins has accepted a new position in San Diego and will be leaving ACS after the end of this school year. One of the most difficult decisions he has had to make, a great deal of consideration has gone into this, in particular planning for his own family's future as his oldest child is entering high school next year.

- Jason Krogh (Bayside Church liaison) comment: ACS has had a difficult few months, as several treasured staff have moved on to new jobs. Our team is family, we communicate regularly and have been aware and in conversation with Mr. Wilkins about his possible departure. Let's halt rumors that have and can often begin circulating during times of transition. ACS is in God's hands, none of this surprises Him, He has a plan for our school. We are working with three search firms to locate candidates to take our school into the next chapter; some great options are popping up. We also want to encourage our school and family to consider your own networks and encourage good candidates you might know to apply; this is often the best way to find a good fit! Jason Krogh shared encouragement from scripture, that he also shared this morning at the school staff meeting when the announcement was made there. This is not about us – this is not our school, this school belongs to the Lord and we can be sure he will guide us through this transition.

- Parent Question: who makes the decision on new hires? Jason Krogh: there is a team including school personnel and senior leadership at Bayside Church.

- Several parents shared sentiments about how special both Mrs. Flores and Mr. Wilkins are to the school and how they will be dearly missed.

- Mrs. Flores shared some encouraging words: the average school administrator lasts 5 years in a given position; we have been here collectively much longer than that. Mr. Wilkins and I love what we do, it's like coming to "play" each day, being with all of your kids...I am staying local, I am a phone call away if needed during the transition. Trust God, He knows what He's doing, He knows

the future, we can't see the full picture yet. It's ok to be upset, but we are a family; if you have a weak moment then turn to a friend having a strong moment. Take your concerns to the throne, we have God's Word and that is the playbook. Tiffany Lathrop, Paula Williams are still here. Is God going to let HIS school fall to the wayside? Absolutely not. Trust him for our sake, fight down gossip and rumors.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

- * **April 11th-18th – Spring Break!**
- * **April 22nd – All Pro Moms**
- * **April 29th – Mother/Son Event**
- * **May 5th-6th – No School**
- * **May 13th – Last APC Meeting of the year and last Warrior Day**
- * **NO AUCTION on May 20th**
- * **May 20th – minimum day**
- * **May 27th – Last All Pro Dads**
- * **June 7th – Last day of school**

NEXT/LAST APC MEETING for the school year: Friday, May 13 at 8:45am in Discovery Corner