

**Adventure Parent Connection (APC)
Meeting Minutes
Friday, February 4th, 2022**

1. In attendance:

Tobin Wilkins	Kelly McGregor	Renee Flores	Bryanna Coughlan	Kaysee Kirby
Carolyn Frant	Brian Griego	Kristi Griego	Andrew Lippert	Janie Lippert
Christina Reich	Jamie Robben	Megan Thomas	Chassity Dawson	Negin Lewis
Matt Francis	Paul Davis	Erin Smith-Geisler	Jessica Ring	Maura Masse
Julie Stodghill	Eva Holdbrook	Monica Fryman	Amanda Medina	Matt Ryburn
Tiffany Jones	Sarah Whetstine	Alician Juday	Kayla Daves	Reese Campo

2. Opening/Welcome to APC – Kelly McGregor

3. Prayer – Tobin Wilkins

4. TK-8 & Preschool Update – Renee Flores

- Candy Grams sales going well; extending deadline until Monday due to demand.
- Registration for the 2022-2023 school year opened last week; K-8 is 72% full for next year. Preschool is 82% full. In just one week!
- Thank you to APC for blessing the ACS staff – APC gifted the staff with a free café day on the last day of the quarter. They loved it!
- Preschool moving forward, things are running smoothly.

5. Jr. High Social – Kelly McGregor

- The event went really well!
- Chic-fil-a donated food and parents baked and brought treats
- Over 120 kids showed up; lip sync competition was a big success. For most students, this is their first “school dance” experience. Although, there are no dates or couples dancing allowed; it is just a time to gather and have fun for middle schoolers. As far as dancing: many kids standing shyly in the corner, talking with friends and boys running around playing tag. Great, fun time.
- A huge thank you to those who helped make food, donated gift cards, and set up the event

6. Daddy-Daughter Ball/Events– Sarah Whetstine

- The event is February 18, 5:30-8:30pm at Bayside Blue Oaks campus. Theme is Ties and Tiaras.
- Ticket sales opened Jan 24 and sold out in a week!
- 365 is the maximum tickets previously sold. We have 384 tix sold. 6 families on wait list. We are working with facilities staff to verify how far we can extend the
- We are excited about how many want to come! The count is currently at 174 dads and 210 daughters.
- Flower orders for the event: we have 154 flower crown orders, pick up at event site that night, they will be labeled by name.
- If you didn't preorder, we will have a few available for purchase on site
- Some highlight of the event: DJ will lead fun games and dances, photo booth, wall of love notes to dad, craft to make, selfie spot, raffle, photo slide show.

- Please submit photos for the slideshow to Bryanna Coughlan and she will put it together. Deadline to submit photos is February 11. Send to: apceventphotos@gmail.com. HARD cutoff for photos to allow Bryanna time to prepare the slideshow. Will scroll/play all night.
- Our goal is for this to be an elevated, formal event. Some years the girls ran around pretty wild. This year we hope dads really take the opportunity to “date” your daughter...for the kids to play less tag and for the event to be a more formal “ball” and special time for dads/daughters.
- We need set up help, and help during the event – 1st grade field trip is that the same day, which means a bunch of moms will be unavailable. Please sign up to help out in big or small ways if you can. Set up STARTS 9AM the day of the event and ends when all is ready. Please contact Sarah Whetstine if you can help.
- Looking for a photographer to take red carpet entrance photos, walk around and take candid during the night, then put up a site where people can look/order any they want. Parent suggestion: Melinda, preschool teacher does some photography, ask her?
- There have been some donated tickets, and families identified who can benefit from that blessing. One young girl who lost her dad; so nice to offer them this special event as a free blessing.
- SAVE THE DATE – April 29 – Mom/Son event
- DRESS SWAP: drop off/pick up a dress TODAY after school: if you bring a dress, you get to go first to shop for another dress; no “Black Friday” behavior. If you don’t find something at the swap, there are some cute \$17.99 girls dresses at Costco. On Monday any remaining dresses will be donated.

7. Budget/Spirit Wear –

- “Spring Cleaning” store on March 4: before and after school come purchase any remaining stock we have on hand.
- Delayed items are still arriving, still getting those out asap.
- Brand new store first week of April. New spring items; budget is good, so will invest in more in-stock supply to avoid the ordering issues.

8. Room Parents – Bryanna Coughlan

- Valentine Day Parties: connected with room moms last week to get plans together to support whatever teachers want to do for Valentine’s Day parties.
- 100 days of school celebrations also coming up
- SignUp Geniuses have typically been filling up easily for items needed.

9. New Families/Family Connection Update – Reesy Campos

- We may transition this to “Family Connection” instead of just “New Families.” So that any family wishing to connect can attend and participate to the coffee meetings.
- The connection for new families seems more important at the beginning of the school year to connect the brand new families, but throughout the year the meetings may evolve into a coffee/connecting time for any school family that wants to meet others.
- If you are new, were new, or have any thoughts on what would be helpful, come talk to Reesy!

10. Teacher Appreciation/End of Quarter – Jamie Pauly

- End of quarter had a free day at the café for staff, sponsored by APC
- Next end of quarter is April 1 – repeat café or something new – bring me any suggestions.
- Teacher appreciation week is in May, still coming up with a theme. May send survey to teachers to get their input. Urban Sips is popular right now – plan to take teacher orders and go pick up.

- If any teachers comment to you on what they would love, pass ideas on to Jamie.

11. Prayer – Erin Geisler

- We have been praying over high school options for ACS students, presenting comments to leadership.

- Wednesday morning prayer is just 10-15 mins to pray and fill out prayer cards for teachers to know they were prayed over. We leave very encouraged – join us!

12. Get Involved With APC! - Jamie Robben

- If you are interested in helping with any of our Team Leads, please reach out to anyone on APC!

- Team Leads include: Spirit Wear, Family Connection, Teacher Appreciation, Events, Fundraising. We would love to have you! These are fun activities that we love doing for our school, but it takes many people to pull it off. We are always looking for people to jump on board in big or small ways.

13. Parent Comments/Questions:

- Ever considered a mother/daughter event? Response: We haven't, but open to it! Could even be smaller scale...maybe take an All-Pro Dads morning and make it a moms/daughters morning, or a mother/daughter tea after school. There are some working moms and stay-at-home dads, where the mom would love a "special" time with their daughter. Maybe a good time would be in May near Mother's Day.

- Update on Ellie, ACS 1st grader battling cancer: dealing with chemo and overall doing really well. She was able to go to the park with a couple friends, her teacher was there. Last weeks' chemo appointment was a double dose – that has been tough. White blood cell count improving, hair thinning, not gone. Keep praying for her. Go fund me is still up and active or Venmo Julia (Ellie's mom) directly to support the family. Chemo done in June, silk scarves, beanies will be appreciated. Our prayer group prays for Ellie every Wednesday.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

- February 4th: Candy Grams due
- February 4th: Dress swap after school
- February 11th: Photos of Dads and Daughters for slideshow due
- February 18th: Daddy Daughter Ball
- February 21st-25th: Winter Break!

NEXT APC MEETING: Friday, March 4th at 8:45am in Discovery Corner