

TFT Meeting

October 12, 2009

In Attendance: Dawn Weaver, Kerri Creager, Catherine Murphy, Nikos Tzetos, Terry Graham, Linda Horsfall, Jeff Cavener, Jim Frost, Dana Smith, Chenoa Philabaum, Mary Drinkhouse, Megan Klepp, Mel Retallack, Renee Devereux, Marian Rice Galford, Christine Mooney.

Minutes by Catherine Murphy

Introductions

Trilliium Charter School Sweatshirts and T-shirts

Dean B. is willing to print new (hoodie) sweatshirts with TCS logos for resale and wants to know if he may go ahead and purchase shirts and print up a batch. TFT members are concerned that sweatshirts be cotton. Dawn W, Jim F. and Renee D. all have connections and will check into finding cotton T-shirts and sweatshirts at a good price. Would like to sell T-shirts for around \$ 10 and sweatshirts for a little less than \$ 20. Group motioned to invest \$ 500 for shirts to be printed on and resold.

Senior Project Grants

TFT approved timeline proposed by Ken G re: Senior Project Grants, giving seniors 3 chances to receive grants:

- Nov 2: First TFT application due/ Nov 9: Students present grant application to TFT Committee
- January 4: Second (opportunity) application due/ January 11: students present grant application to TFT Committee.

- February 1: TFT application due (last chance)/ February 8: Students present

TFT also suggests setting deadlines for students *submitting receipts* and *submitting extensions* to complete paperwork.

Catherine M is coordinating this process with Ken. Nikos T, Terry G and Christine M also interested in helping with Senior Grant Process. Some concern that students will not have sufficient time to prepare applications before November deadline. Catherine will be in touch with Ken.

Election of TFT Officers

The following individuals will continue with current positions:

TFT President – Kerri Creager

Communication Specialist – Catherine Murphy

Treasurer – Dawn Weaver

Classroom Liaison Coordinator – Mary Drinkhouse

Volunteer Coordinator(s) – Ajna Ral. Andrea Frost (not present at meeting) would like to team up with Ajna for this position

New officers and Open Positions:

Assistants to the TFT President – Jim Frost and Terry Graham

Staff Rep. – Open

Board Rep. – Open (Terry G interested and will go to next Board meeting)

Student Rep. – Open

The above was voted on and approved

TFT Grant Update and TCS Donations

- Last month, grants were approved. Money was delivered for 1) Nina – robot and 2) Intermediate advisors – projector
- Parents were sent plea for donations in back-to-school packet. Many, however, didn't notice and/or did not respond for various reasons. Will urge Board to send out second letter with explicit instructions in hopes of getting more responses.
- TCS has cut budget drastically and has asked each advising to come up with a case of paper to donate to school monthly. Liaisons are trying to coordinate this throughout the year. Used ink cartridges can be exchanged for a ream of paper at Avery. Caveat: they limit the number of exchanges per visit.
- Renee D mentioned that PPS print service is available to teachers and is far cheaper than printing on-site. However, staff would need to submit materials several days ahead of time. Should TFT encourage staff to use this service?

Saturday, October 24 – **Dessert Potluck** at school, 6:30pm.
Costumes optional. There will be a lower-school movie and an upper-school movie for kids to pick from

Next TFT Meeting: Monday, November 3 6:30pm at school