# TUCSON UNIFIED

# Fruchthendler Family Engagement

Meeting Date 4/28/25 Meeting Location: library

Members present	Tim Eriksson, Deborah Brooks, Carmen Villarreal, Michelle Garmon, Jen Noble, Emilee Hardt, Kim Mulligan, Catherine Gale, Karen Boerup
Members absent	
Constituency group represented	Tamaki Layman

**I.** Called to order by Deborah Brooks @2:45p.m.

# II. Discussion

ITEM TITLE	Principal Check-in
DISCUSSION NOTES	<ul> <li>Fire Alarm</li> <li>The system was approved by the board last night. The \$262,000 is paid out of state funds.</li> <li>School Grounds Improvement</li> </ul>
	• Wednesday is District Grounds' Crew Day with maintenance coming to improve "curb appeal". However, Tim has not seen them come but was told that they mowed, but we have no grass to mow.
	<ul> <li>Staffing <ul> <li>Welcome to our new monitor, Karina.</li> <li>Mrs. Blakely, librarian, is moving back east.</li> <li>Dr. Benneyworth is pursuing a teaching certification to teach high school science.</li> <li>Coach Karen is pursuing a Master's degree.</li> <li>Mrs. Mulligan is pursuing another position.</li> <li>Ms. Martin is pursuing another position.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Michelle asked if the jobs were posted. Tim said the 4<sup>th</sup> grade position is, but the others need Site Council approval before he posts. However, he mentioned the Discovery Lab and PE positions in his newsletter and has had some interest.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Budget</li> <li>Tim is working with PTA to highlight what tax credit money is used for; field trips, tutoring, club sponsors, PE, Discovery Lab, and things like sport equipment and classroom furniture.</li> <li>Tim presented the budget and showed that Tax Credit money</li> </ul>

covered almost all of what we spent with Tax Credit earnings about
\$40,000 and spending \$46,018.

#### RESOLUTION

Approval for hiring someone qualified for Discovery Lab and PE, both part-time positions. And start trying to get more donations and tax credit to improve school furniture.

ITEM TITLE	PTA Check-in
DISCUSSION NOTES	<ul> <li>Firebird T-Shirts</li> <li>There were 62 pre-ordered shirts, 45 staff &amp; students in need with a total of 200 ordered and 20 still available.</li> <li>The next preorder will be in the fall. \$12 kids, \$14 adult, \$15 in person, cash only.</li> </ul>
	<ul><li>Spring Family Movie Night 4/25</li><li>Well attended with approximately 135 people.</li></ul>
	<ul><li>Firebird Olympics 5/2</li><li>Volunteers are still needed, especially for grades 3-5.</li></ul>
	Teacher Appreciation Week 5/5-5/9 Monday- Breakfast Burritos Tuesday- Lunch Beyond Bread Wednesday- Massages Thursday- Nacho Bar Friday- Dessert Bar
	<ul> <li>BOGO Book Fair 5/12-5/16, Set Up 5/9</li> <li>Families will be able to purchase books.</li> <li>Discussion: Debbie asked if the lollipops were still going to be a part of the Book Fair as they became an issue in classrooms as well as mess on campus. Tim suggested that instead of lollipops, we could possibly use pencils. Other staff members agreed and stated that the Book Fair seems to be more focused on the toys rather than the books. Jen stated that the candy generates about \$300 per book fair used to purchase new books for teachers. In total, the Book Fair brings in about \$1500.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>PTA Executive Meeting 4/14</li> <li>Next year's focus will be on Planning and Fundraising. Many of the events this year were free of charge and PTA wants to continue this but must generate more income.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Faculty Reimbursement</li> <li>Faculty needs to submit receipts by 5/16 for a check and 5/23 Zelle.</li> </ul>
	Dining for Dollars <ul> <li>The events have not been as successful as years past. PTA is</li> </ul>

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# working on preplanning a calendar for the 2025-2026 school year.

#### **Faculty Grants**

• The last grant approved was for Ms. Hardt to enrich her classroom library with 200 new books for \$300.

#### RESOLUTION

PTA will continue thinking of more fundraisers, like having Dining for Dollars events scheduled with plenty of notice beforehand.

ITEM TITLE	Recent/Upcoming Events
DISCUSSION NOTES	<ul> <li>Movie Night was attended by about 135 people.</li> <li>5/3 District Choir Concert</li> <li>5/5 Grades 3-5 OMA Concerts</li> <li>5/12 OMA Opera Performance</li> <li>5/14 Kinder and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade OMA Performances</li> <li>5/16 Talent Show &amp; Volunteer Breakfast</li> <li>5/19 Firebird Fly-In for 2025 Senior Grads</li> </ul>
RESOLUTION	
Inform the community so everyone can attend these concerts/performances.	

# **III.** Action Items

ITEM TITLE	School Updates
DISCUSSION NOTES	• Need for new furniture around the school, and teachers for vacancies
RESOLUTION	
Principal is working on finding teachers and funds.	

### IV. Submission of items for next agenda

# V. The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m. by Deborah Brooks