**Mar Vista Elementary School**

**Mar Vista Parent and School Club**

**Meeting Minutes**

**August 12, 2014**

**6:00pm**

**In attendance:** Regina Bowyer (President), Janee’ Del Coletti (Vice President), Cat Bechtold (Treasurer), Dana Cramblet (Treasurer), Richard Determan (School Principal), Brittany Dexel (Director), Dawn Wetzel (Secretary), Christine Bayaca, Nancy Garcia, Neera Bhatnagar, Vicki Swertfager, Mariah Gardner, Ben Page, Sebastian Frey, Yanely Montejano, Libet Kalista, Denise Elerick

**1. Approval of the Minutes**

**1.1** Janee’ Del Coletti made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as read and Neera Bhatnagar second it.

**2. Principal’s Report** – Welcome Richard Detterman!

**2.1** Looking forward to the new experience of being a Principal in an elementary school. Has over 19 years of experience at Aptos Junior High a guidance counselor and most recently as their Assistant Principal. Enjoys building relationships with the children and doing things with them outside the classroom. He has chaperone the Washington, D.C. field trip with his Aptos Junior students for many years and plans to facilitate that trip, again this year.

**3. Teacher’s Report**

**3.1** No Teacher’s Report

**3.2** I-Pads were purchased for the other 6th grade class.

**4. Treasure’s Report**

**4.1** No Treasure’s Report

**5. MVP 2014/2015 Meeting Calendar**

**5.1** MVP meeting will longer be on Tuesdays. The board will decide if the day will be Wednesday of Thursdays.

**6. Fundraiser’s – Approved & Proposed**

**6.1** Mar Vista Parent Fundraiser packet was sent out to all parents at the end of the school year. It listed the Mar Vista Calendar of Events 2014/15 Volunteer Opportunities.

**6.2** Neera Bhatnagar has the draft but the updated fundraiser memo has not been sent out yet.

**6.3** Sebastian Frey shared his on Read-A-Thon research with us. His contact Marci-Beth Maple, who runs the read-a-thon for Vine Hill Elementary School in Scotts Valley said that they raised 42K even after the 25% cut from their partner, read-a-thon.com. If we sign up and say that Marci referred us, then they will only take 20%. Vine Hill found businesses to adopt each classroom - $300 per class. Mar Vista could check with the Chamber Commerce to sponsor us at our school. When you use read-a-thon.com you can share it with family & friends through Facebook and e-mail to help sponsor kids. Children will need to read a ½ hour a day for 2 weeks for this, which all could be done in class. Vine Hill will be doing theirs on Oct 20- Oct 31. Richard Detterman will check in with the teachers in regards to this. We talk about the possibility of Nov 4- 14th to coincide with the Scholastic Book Fair. We would a person one person to do the administration of the Read-a-thon.

**6.4** It was suggested to have a giant Post It board displaying fundraising opportunities for parents set up at back to school night and also have information tables ready, too.

**6.5** Denise Elerick suggested the school looking into “Sign up Genius” as way for the whole school to communicate fundraisers to families or could work for individual classrooms. “Sign up Genius” is a free online tool for creating and managing group sign up list and forms. Denise will do further investigation in organizing a 5K Run possibly in March, April or May 2015. Possible location could be Aptos Junior High.

**6.6** The following Fundraiser/ School Community Events do not have coordinators at this point are: Labels for Education, Pages & PJ’s, Harvest Festival and Bingo.

**6.7** It was suggested that we should to bring our ideas to next meeting to decide what to fundraise for next. We need to choose a big ticket item to fundraise for, such as the track or school marque.

**7. Request for Funds**

**7.1** No request for Funds

**8. Upcoming Events**

**8.1** August 15 - New Family Orientation 1-1:50pm

August 15 – TK/Kinder Meet & Greet 2 – 3pm

August 15 – Class List Posted 4pm

August 18 – First Day of School – Coffee Social 8:05

August 22 - Teacher/ Staff Luncheon

Back To School BBQ & Potluck – New Time 5:30- 7:30

**Adjournment at 7:30pm**

Next Meeting – September 11, 2014 at 6:00pm.