



Wednesday, October 18, 2017
6:00 pm Regular Meeting
Camino Entrada
Pajarito Cliffs Site, Bldg. #1
Los Alamos, NM

Minutes

1. **Welcome** – Alan Kirk, Chair called meeting to order at 6:03pm.
2. **Introductions** – All in Attendance-see sign in sheet-gave introductions.
3. **Approval of Minutes** – September Minutes approved unanimously, motion made by Carey Skidmore, seconded by Pat Casados.
4. **Budget/Financials**
 - a. Budget Performance Sheets for September were emailed
 - b. Audit Update-61 transactions given so far to Bear Claw, our auditing firm.
 - c. Donations/Grants - Grant County Imagination Library Mini-Grant acceptance of \$1,500 grant passed unanimously. Motion made by Carey Skidmore, seconded by Pat Casados. 330 children already enrolled plus expecting approximately 40 Pinon and 35 Barranca Elementary students.
 - d. CYFD review tomorrow. We are asking for 5 programs and we hope to get a response by Jan 8th 2018.
 - e. Also starting RFP for FRS program with LAC.
5. **Presentation** – Pajarito Environmental Education Center (PEEC) Youth Programs
 - a. Katie Bruell:
 - i. School programs- teach science in nature
 1. Advocate for showing parents and teachers how to get children outside to use their bodies, they learn differently than just sitting at desk.
 2. Teachers will call to start programs in fall, the programs serve all 7th and 8th grade classes with classes for 9th at the Planetarium. Elementary programs vary by school.
 - ii. Community programs-allow community to come together as a group
 1. Programs show nature is good for physical and mental health
 2. Passport to pajarito-10,000 hikes reported since 2015
 - a. Children do rubbings on posts at each hike location
 3. Pebble Pups program- geology based Jr. Rock Hound program
 - iii. Summer outdoor adventure programs
 1. Scholarship program for lots of students off the hill

2. Camps fill up early
 3. Lillian Peterson gave talk on her prize-winning science fair
 4. Started partnership with Big Brothers/Big Sister
 5. Teen Counselors have to be in high school
- iv. Funded by County, private grants, donations

6. Coordinators' Update

- a. Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) classes – October 27 and 28, 2017. Registration available now.

7. **Family / Youth Resource Specialists-** Christine Martinez reported RS's attended community outreach events, KRSN radio interview, open house at high school, Lucky Duck fundraiser at FSN, and saw Barbara Coloroso at Parenting U. Santina Shije hosted a pizza and painting event with 25 middle school students. The library is currently showing their paintings. Santina expressed her thanks to the LA County Library. Other RS's attended a meeting with PFLAG, went to LANL outreach and LANL Mental Health Expo, and attended community meetings as required. Current case load consists of 16 Elementary, 22 MS, and 31 HS, which comes to 69 students total.

8. Program Reports

- a. Robert Apodaca-reports working with police and at HS with students in Juvenile system.
- b. Carie Fanning-FSN is up 1000 service hours from last year, they have 3 Love and Logic classes in full swing, and Healthy Relationships classes will happen next week at HS.
- c. Catherine Taylor-busy at teen court, good turnout with volunteers, doing attorney training with students for advocacy skill. Current make up of volunteers are half and half MS/HS.
- d. Kristine Koblentz-Healthy school's initiative is working on administering the YRRS. Cycle started on Monday and they are doing 28 percent of students, as this year is a sample year. Performed MindUp training for 48 staff, and doing Social-Emotional learning sessions at Barranca. Finding students have increase in anxiety and need increased skills building. Red Ribbon week is coming up. She is working with the County to give staff support and had golf lessons session. Next staff support initiative will be ice skating day. Grit community book reading group started. Youth Resiliency committee has taken off and now monthly newsletter is going out to email list.
- e. Heather Cummings-YM had Safe Homecoming event, 106 kids attended at Teen center and 210 went to midnight movies. Teen council meeting held last Friday, with 21 kids in attendance who had lots of ideas. Will put out survey to get ideas for projects. Halloween event next Friday, with face painting, henna, pumpkin carving, escape room and Zombie themed activities.
- f. George Marsden-Arts and Resiliency going strong 35 with non-duplicated teens. Topics discussed the past month were relationships, and job, careers and vocational choices. Glass art class coming up in November, Art of Yoga is on Mondays. Open house for Teen Center is Nov 7 from 5-7pm. Fall program brochure was given out.
- g. Carter Payne-Just had Homecoming and looking forward to having Hallowwellness weekend including a costume party. Busy weeks coming up with senior conferences, PSAT for Jr.'s and Sophomores, a career fair, and a presentation by Project A. Students and community are having conversations about school start time, the school started a financial literacy project and students will be presenting for their peers. Saturday school is having coaching sessions on how to be a good student and getting referrals from counselors. JJAB has supported program for 6 years. The Topper

Connections Lunch programs are now going as invites and will be lunch detention option in the future. Captain's table and positive coaching alliance gave presentation and Natural Helpers are going on their retreat this weekend.

- h. Danielle Sutherland-There are 3 GC and 2 BC running, with plans to add more next semester, including doing them during lunch hour on campus. Facilitators will be teachers at MS. Running a group with the Reach and Rise program at the YMCA.
- i. Mike Johnson-It is the end of the grading period. Saturday school had young man state, "Wow, in less than 3 hours my grade went from F to A." Saturday school going well, doing HAT time on Wed to work on homework, school band students will do tutoring to elementary school students.
- j. William Szinger-MS HAT time was discussed in a survey, end of grading period is stressful!
- k. Ellen Ben Naim-School start time discussions will be started; next week we have 2 community meetings, on Oct. 24th in Speech theater and on 25th, in WR at Pinon, and will also do group at HS. Looking at getting kids more sleep, can give input by clicking on survey at school website.
- l. Kurt Steinhaus-Reminder that the architects of Saturday school are Carter Payne and Mike Johnson, who have done a great job and shown great collaborative effort with that program. To get more information on the Start time issue, please read the background report and come to the meetings. Canyon school has pumpkin patch as a choir fundraiser and they have a full semi full of pumpkins. All of the information and attachments for the Mental Health Design Team report are completed and will be posted on website soon. New employee newsletter started 3 weeks ago. Last football game, the robotics team built a robot that shoots t-shirts.
- m. Jane Johnson- attendance is getting better and the intervention list is getting shorter.

9. New Items - none

10. Next Board Meeting – November 15, 2017

11. Meeting Adjourned at 6:50pm