

11/15/2018 FWS Meeting

FWS attendees: Pascal, Christie (notetaker), Gavin, Lisa

Board: Liana Lam

School: Melanie Sumida

School updates:

Melanie Sumida – WASC visiting team is here, since this past Tuesday. They had interviews on campus, parents participated in some feedback, parents were able to talk to the WASC team yesterday. John and Mel apologized for last minute/late invitation to parent meeting. WASC will wrap up report and will present tomorrow at 2:15 in the Learning Commons. They will share their report and recommendation to the accrediting body. They are not the ones who actually accredit. The accrediting body will determine how many years you get accredited for, from 1 yr to 6 yrs (with 3-yr mid-term review). For example, one year they recommended a parent networking room and so the school made changes/modifications to add a room.

Liana Lam – Board is invited to go to presentation in the LC, as well as FWS officers.

Melanie Sumida - Gearing up for next school year already – scheduling info sessions, tours, etc for 2019-020 school year.

Calendar of Events:

Dec 7 – 4th Grade movie night

The 4th grade teacher (Juna Dulong) had asked FWS to borrow FWS movie screen, but FWS rents it – so they are considering asking the school to buy one. She asked if it could be an FWS event. Movie: The Smog of the Sea (about ocean pollution). Question: Is it a 4th grade event? Or all school? If it is all-school, then maybe FWS can help. If it is only 4th grade, then probably not. Pascal will suggest to Mrs. Dulong that there is a screen in the cafeteria/stage.

Dec 8 – Science Day/STEM fest

Pascal says he hasn't been able to check back with school. Mel said right now she has about 20 families participating. There is still room for more, even though the deadline is passed. Art (who is running it) asks for volunteers (probably 4 adults to pass out materials/supplies). Last week, Mel put something out to say the deadline was coming up. John was going to also contact Voyager School to offer slots. Pascal offered to post something on our FWS website or FB. Mel said OK and to take the flyer. Open to 2nd grade and up. Mel talked about participation in this event in the past. People interested in volunteering, contact Mel.

December 13 FWS Meeting – there is a Keiki Hula conflict on campus– want to reschedule or cancel?

Concern about Fun Fair and getting vendors – maybe have committees set up soon. Need to confirm date still. We talked a bit about having Fun Fair on a school day/night. Need lights (rental) for the field. Michael had shared with Christie that he was willing to “work with FWS” – changing W+ for the day or doing something to help/encourage families to pick-up, etc. FWS will invite Michael to a meeting to discuss. Pascal shared his experiences at other after-school fun fairs, where the whole school is involved, classrooms are set-up, etc. It was an all-

school/community thing, not a “PTA” thing. Suggestion to call Nuuanu School (who has evening event) and get in touch with someone there to ask logistics. Suggestion to have a Fun Fair meeting (see below). Reminder that lighting outside is an issue. Suggestion to use a virtual meeting. Suggestion to have a meeting to get chairs in place.

December 4 – Fun Fair meeting *get a flyer to Mel tomorrow (Christie - done)
Time: 5:30pm (will also do an online meeting link)

April 26 Fun Fair proposed date – Pascal to re-check with office

Discussion continued about the logistics – tents needed if at night? Will there be time for all the different areas/vendors as it is going from a 6 hr event to maybe 3-4hrs? Time to start the event? Right after school or evening? Virginia (parent volunteer)– to call Nuuanu School and ask about their event and get ideas.

January meeting – Board inviting us to a “social” event with all the “legs” of the Wai’alae chair, governing board, WSF, FWS, etc. We can use this event to solicit help from these groups.
Tentative Jan 11

March 11 – Jogathon

Side note: discussion on who is running Jog-a-thon event (Aulani (FWS)– solicit vendors, Lisa – reach out to Doike). Pascal to remind Aulani about soliciting vendors.

Note: Dec 6 is Kaimuki Parade

December 13 FWS mtg is cancelled.

FWS Logo:

Theme of Mudhen (throwback/retro, honoring 90th anniversary) – this will be the logo for Fun Fair. Mudhen was original logo of school. Colors were also gold and green – we used to be Kaimuki district. Suggestion to have children vote. Choices are available on the FWS website. Discussion later about voting on logo.

Halloween Re-cap:

Event seemed successful. The Silent DJ was a hit! Some children never left! B-courtyard worked well, it was easier to keep track of children. Pascal to get more cheese pizza next time! Also, get more change (small bills). The kids dancing (dance group from Kaimuki Middle) was really cute. Also, nice to have grass area for seating, large tarp put down. Weather stayed clear. Bento (Hot Pot Heaven) donated all her proceeds (not just profit) to FWS. People stayed to clean-up.

Special Thanks to vendors–

Can we do a flyer as thanks? Pascal to do flyer.

Can we give these vendors (who donate and help so much) space on the Jogathon shirt?

Liana (Board):

Governing Board, FWS and WSF an effort to keep the groups in sync.

The Board needs to vote on preschool (grant money is given) – they need to make a decision on whether to continue the preschool next school year (this is the non-SPED preschool) The SPED preschool is mandated. FWS is welcome to come to the meetings – 4th Wed every month. Minutes posted on-line. Liana will start to send minutes to Pascal to share. Board will debrief WASC. They are working on their Strategic Plan, hoping to approve it this month. Liana may do a poll for a social-emotional curriculum. We got audited – financial standing is excellent. They are forming a Facilities committees – WSF heavily fundraises, so how should we use this money? Liana talked about internal controls and supporting John, as his administration has changed. Liana will try to “Zoom” (virtually share the meeting live) tomorrow’s meeting.

**Zoom link has been created for the Fun Fair meeting and will be sent via WW