

**Friends of Farallone PTO**  
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**2024-2025**

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PTO Board Attendees:

Joanna Durand  
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Angela Ekberg  
Jen Gainza  
Claire Lacy  
Alex Collins  
Danielle McGee  
Alyssa Stone

Additional Attendees:

Jackie Bertoldo  
Alex & Hunter Smithmixter  
Tom McBride  
Ginny McDevitt  
Laura Jackson  
Camden Jinge  
Meg Tabaka  
Rachel Spediacci

- Call to Order at 6:38: Jen
- Approval of Meeting Minutes – June  
Motion to approve by kristi, second by sarah Neale
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- President's Report: Kristi/Jen -
- Movie Night planning updates + voting:
  - We are inviting Alebrijes and Sam's food truck. Movie options are Garfield or Trolls Band Together. We need a volunteer/s for the concessions table.
- Voluntary Tuition
  - One of our largest fundraisers of the year
  - Flyer going home Friday the 26th
- Financials: Sara/Alyssa
  - yearlong \$175,000 goal, the majority of which is funds for science and PE teacher Ms. Kia's salary, stocking the teacher supply closet
  - donations can be dropped off at the office for the teacher supply closet, participation by class for ice cream or pizza party.
  - Sara will be following up with the district about discrepancies on their fourth quarter billing from the previous school year.

- Principal's Report: Amy -
- *-Discussions on improving arrival and dismissal of students and potentially move the higher grades to the upper playground*
  - First assembly with the mobile dairy cow*
  - New staff on campus; TK Teacher Debra McGibbon, Librarian Christie Walker, food service assistant,*
  - Motions to approve spelling bee with a budget of \$200 danielle motions sarah seconds*
  - Discussion on creating a school run TK/ Kinder spelling bee*
  - Discussion on increasing hours for Recess Coordinator Ms. Julie*
  - SF opera program for 3,4,5 graders would have to be held outside,will discuss with the project coordinator.*
  
- New volunteer requirements
  - Mandated reporter training module required*
  - Tuberculosis test or a sign off from your doctor, has to be done every 4 years*
  - Amy to reach out to ALAS about assisting with tb testing going forward*
  
- Possible Teacher Strike Updates
  - Cuta continued negotiations today, more information should be coming soon.*
  - Teachers will be giving the district 48-60 hours notice before striking.*
  - Activities are planned for students during potential strike*
  - Kristi is going to send email to the Superintendent about what students and parents can expect during a potential strike.*
  - The district will provide qualified staff in classroom*
  
- Upcoming Events - reports outs of event planning, volunteers needs, communications to promote -
  - Back to School Night - PTO presentation
    - Jen/Kristi next thursday 6:30, postponed if a strike, location tba, -Will have volunteer signups for the Fall Festival*
  - Fall Festival update
    - Angela/Whitney, large deposits made, push for sponsors and vendors, will have class sign ups for volunteering at the Fall Fest on back to school night.*
  - Book Fair
    - Angela: new representative at scholastic*
    - Book fair will be open before school ,recess, and afterschool*
    - Will be held in the library*

*-ewallet will be available to put \$ in an account for students*

- Assembly planning - All
- Other Items/Discussion - school board seat will be opening for el granada, hmb seat, bond measure and parcel tax coming up this year.

**Important Upcoming Dates:**

- Back to School Night - Aug. 29
- Voluntary Tuition - Aug. 26-Sept. 13
- Outdoor Movie Night – Friday, Sept. 20
- Book Fair – Sept. 30-Oct. 4
- Parent Teacher Conferences/Minimum Days – Oct. 7-11
- Fall Festival – Oct. 12

Next PTO Meeting: Thursday, Sept. 5 at 6:30 PM