**Sacramento Valley Charter School**

**PTO Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, April 20, 2018**

**Attendees:** Bimaldeep Gosal, Poonam Dhaliwal, Taylor Bloss, Amrik Singh, Baljit Bains, Dilbagh Singh, Mandeep Kaur, Pammi Deol, Sandip Kang, Alex Bugni, Teresa Phillips, Ginny Phillips, Licia Morso

1. **Welcome-** We all introduced ourselves and stated what grade our scholars are in and what grades each teacher teaches.
2. **Secretary-** Taylor read the minutes from March’s meeting. Mrs. Phillips brought up a concern of the drop off and pick up plan, she expressed that the cars waiting in line are emitting exhaust into her class. We brainstormed a few ideas to solve this problem and decided that we will put cones up near the garden to stop vehicles from coming all the way to the office until 3:00. Minutes were approved for March.
3. **Financial Report-** Baljit updated us on our finances. We raised $135 at the coding night through selling t-shirts.
4. **Family Code Night-** Our coding night was a huge success! We were very grateful for Lynnae Tracy for leading the presentation and walking all of our scholars and their families through the coding puzzles. We hope to have more events like this next year and possibly in classrooms as well.
5. **Recess Cart-** The recess carts have been very popular with the scholars. We have a second larger cart coming soon with more equipment in it. We need to make sure we work as a team (teachers, scholars, and recess staff) to make sure everything the equipment is taken care of and put away correctly as well as ensuring the cart is locked when not in use. We had stocked the cart originally with badminton sets, extra birdies, velcro catch games, basketballs, footballs, small soccer balls, small basketballs, tennis balls, hula hoops, skip its, and bean bags. After about 3 weeks we have learned that the badminton sets and velcro catch games broke rather quickly and the smaller items have been lost, so we are brainstorming new things to add to the cart instead. Several people have suggested a sign in/sign out sheet but our goal was not to add extra work to anyone’s already busy schedule so we are just asking that we all work together to keep things taken care of and put away every day.
6. **Lost And Found Rack-** Taylor and Poonam transformed our lost and found table by installing two racks for all of the sweaters and coats and placed some racking on the bottom for the water bottles and lunch boxes. Please take a few minutes to look through the new lost and found area to find your scholars lost items before they are donated at the end of the year
7. **Upcoming Events**-

A. Teacher Appreciation Week is May 7-11, Poonam is leading a committee to make sure our teachers have a wonderful week. We plan to host a breakfast Monday morning, then provide coffee and treats throughout the week, followed by a cake and ice cream social on May 18 after school.

B. Field Day is May 29, Dr. Singh has reserved a park for us for the day but it will take a lot of volunteer effort to make the day a success, he will be sending a volunteer sign up home soon.

C. Volunteer Appreciation is today April 20, we have printed certificates for all of our wonderful volunteers this year to show our appreciation.
D. Dr. Singh expressed his gratitude for the PTO this year for all of the events and improvements that we have done this year.

1. **Wrap Up and Questions-**
A. We have had a lot of success this year using Whats App to keep our leadership in active communication with all of the members. Meeting minutes are also posted under the PTO page on the school website. This year the 2 alternating meeting times were set at 3:30 and 6pm to give ample opportunity for all parents to attend.B. We discussed some ideas to get more parents involved, Bimaldeep noted that this is his third year being involved with PTO. The first year there were zero members, the second year there were 5 members, this year we have 38 members, and next year we hope to have even more.

C. The girls bathroom in the Multipurpose Room is foul-smelling, Dr. Singh said this is the first he is hearing of it and will address the problem early next week. He also informed us that they are reviewing the cleaning services they are receiving but that it is something is has to work with the Gurdwara on. Parents also expressed frustration with the cleaners choices to block driveways.

1. **Adjournment-** Next meeting is May 18, 2018 at 3:30 in the Multipurpose Room