

# **Sunrise Parent Association Meeting**

## **Monday, October 12, 6:45-8:00 p.m.**

### **Attendees:**

*Liseth Araya, Ester Sanpedro, Lauren Beiley, Martha Siaba, Derrick Arias, Ross Toyne, Wendi Samway, David Elkins, Marcela Saenz, Danaee Perez Doty, Cecilia Rubio, Ana Cifra*

This meeting started at 6:45 with refreshments and official discussion beginning at 7pm. An agenda that had been sent out prior to the meeting via email was also written on the blackboard in the room. The agenda and timeline were followed to ensure finishing the meeting at 8 pm. Meeting did finish at this time.

### **Items discussed:**

#### ***MICHAELMAS REVIEW:***

All felt this event had been a success. Suggestions for future festival improvement included: posting sign-up sheets for food and rsvps 2-weeks prior, having a designated clean-up coordinator, also having a food set-up coordinator that would organize/label foods.

All felt folks bringing their own dishes worked well though in the future people, esp. children, cannot go into the kitchen to wash plates. Also Ana Cifra suggested telling folks that after any festival they be sure to take away any dishes of food they brought since it is difficult to dispense of leftovers and keep track of platters etc...Ester suggested looking into our status as a non-profit to get a reduced rate for taking away waste.

Wendi asked about having festivals earlier for younger kids and it was explained this is not possible for various reasons.

## ***COMMITTEES: HEADS, HEARTS, HANDS***

Liseth gave an overview of the committees and provided a sign-up sheet for all to choose one on which to participate. We still need to have a head of each committee. There was some confusion about what is the function of each committee and Liseth said she would follow up with an email clarifying more. She did so on Oct. 14th.

## ***FUNDRAISING:***

2 ideas were presented: Equal Exchange(from last year) and Ecolabel Fundraising.

All present voted for Ecolabel Fundraising as it has more variety of items and offers the choice of paper catalogue ordering or online ordering. In addition, the company assured Liseth they would package orders by family. In addition, this company also carries most Equal Exchange items except chocolate as they have had problems with it melting.

Maricela inquired if there were an email promoting the idea for folks to use to send to personal contacts. Liseth said she would look into this.

## ***TREASURY REPORT:***

Derrick informed all that the current PA account has \$1,096.64. As of that meeting, only a few families had paid their \$50 PA dues. We discussed sending out a dues reminder. We also voted unanimously on approving \$35 towards changing the names of the board of directors of the PA so we can open an account.

## ***OTHER ITEMS DISCUSSED:***

- Making sure any fundraising items are included in the new Newsletter.
- Cecilia brought up the idea of using recycled paper to make cards etc...Ana said she would be interested in doing this as well.