**Happy Valley Parent Club  
March 15, 2018 Meeting**  
**Minutes**

**Kyle Frandel**

**Luanne Hutchins**

**Henry Schwab**

**Sarah Demeyer-guyer**

**Carlie Perlman**

**Tiffany Willet**

**Alice Crumrine**

**Everett Meisser, Jr.**

**Maureen Vargas**

**Annette Olson**

**Zoe Paco**

**Alison Pepper**

**Kate Grell**

6:35 PM Call to order  
  
1. **Introduction's (Mo)**   
  
**2. ACTION ITEM:** Approve, as amended, February Minutes. Motion: Maureen, Second: Alice. All approved.

(Correction to minutes--see February 2018 minutes—regarding Parcel Tax: We can still apply for the bond in three years.)

**3. Principal Report (Michelle)**Parcel Tax. If voters approve the parcel tax, we would receive $61,000 but we have to subtract voters that are 65 or older who ask not to pay it.

We put in our argument for the parcel tax to Gail Pellerin for the election and then wait for a month to see if anyone files an argument against it.

2019 is when we would receive money. When we receive the money, a citizen oversight board will review the school’s needs and will decide which are the greatest. Survey of parcel tax indicates 75% approval. Election is this June.  
  
**4. Commitment Sheets and Finance Update (Everett)**

We have $155,000 in the bank.

We are making lots of money this year.

Commitment Sheets: Callie has been talking to the last few families who have not turned in their money yet. We were down ~10% from last year (i.e. ~$5,000), which may reflect school student population decrease. That is something we need to consider next year when we determine the amount to request to cover the cost of each student.  
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**5. Redwoods Planning Update (Alice)**

Everything is ordered. If anyone has any music that they would like to hear, R&B songs in particular. The band is willing to learn new songs.

Tickets go on sale the week after we get back from spring break.

Working on parking. If we need it, we will rent a golf cart to transport people from the parking.

Alison: We may be able to get most people to park close, with staffing parking more distant. It’s going to be an awesome Redwoods dinner.

Michelle: may have access to a golf cart.

Mo: We are trying to tighten budget to pull off the event for less money in the past. We are trying to figure out how to invite as many people as possible. Still sorting out ticket price.

Mo and Alice went to an amazing school auction in San Francisco. They make $300,000 in one night. Lots of party ideas. Lots of stuff that’s donated.

Next Redwood meeting is about one week out.

**6. Read-a-thon (Heather)** *Mo read Heather’s notes*  
We raised $16732! $We keep 13,935. The more you make, the more Read-a-thon gets. Heather has researched other alternatives.

Sarah D-G: Also working on a way we can keep more of the money.

Michelle: Suggests checking out Spoonread (is a local organization that is totally free).

Chorus: Maybe they could give us a presentation.

**Big Thanks to:** Lisa Adams, Alison Pepper, Heather Wilder and Shaena Strubing made it happen.

**Extra Big Thanks to Shaena Strubing who researched this fundraiser, figured it all out, and got it going at Happy Valley.**

The pumping up of students really made it work well.   
  
**7. Yearbook (Luanne)**

We need a lot more help. Luanne met with Cindy Lepore Hart and Kate Royer.

We haven’t yet sold any yearbooks and the sales are due April 24.

Luanne will do love lines.

Cindy needs help with pictures. She needs a volunteer to type in names.

The yearbook is a lot of work.

Michelle: We could consider using Lifetouch.  
  
**8. Arts Alive (Luanne)**

We are in the process of hiring artists for next year.

We are in constantly in need of parent volunteers. Luanne asks why we think that there are so few now.

Alice and Mo says: Personally asking for volunteers always works better than general, impersonal requests.

Tiffany: Suggests that, for people with two kids who volunteer, the volunteer should get both kids for free or a discount.   
Luanne asks for artist recommendations.

**9. Garden (Mo)**

Seems like garden has been successful with kids. Lots of kids involved. Garden Day was postponed

Michelle: There are gas lines in the garden. Need to call 811 to confirm location.

Mo: Need to assess how the garden is going.

Michelle: Says that seeing the garden coming back is energizing the community.   
  
**10. Technology (Mo)**

Update from Michelle: We are waiting for coding program. Idea is that this year we will get the ipads into the classroom to start with. As we can, we will work on coding training. Our tech money is going to devices and training.  
  
**11. Officers 2018-2019 (Mo)**

If you’d like to be an officer, please let us know.

**12. Officer Announcements**  
​From Heather:

Auction procurement has been great (cheers for Kate Grell).

Luanne concerned about soliciting folks that have already been solicited. Kate says to contact her and she’ll make sure we don’t duplicate efforts (she has a google doc).

Amazon: We’ve raised $850 so far.

Henry: Recommends again sending out Amazon link in every email.

Can we put in on the school site?

Poker game: We don’t have a lot of people signed up for the poker tourney. Event is next Saturday so may not happen if more people don’t sign up. It’s NOT just for dads.

**13. Open Discussion**

Alice: Would the professional development day be a good day for teacher appreciation?

Michelle: Good idea, but won’t work because not all staff will be here. And sometimes it’s held off site.

Teacher appreciation tentatively will be May 4th.   
  
**7:30  PM Adjourn**