

Forestville Education Foundation
Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2023

The mission of the Forestville Education Foundation is to support and enhance the educational experiences of students attending school in the Forestville Union School District.

The meeting was called to order at 6:07pm.

Officers and Directors in attendance: Terra Del Drago, Linda Strauss, Tiffany Wood, Alana Thistle, Joanie Blechel

Officers and Directors absent: Noelle Huberty, Gwen Taylor, Mandy Danzart

Guests in attendance: Amy Dewitt, Kara Gilman, Jessalee Mills, Merrie Rivera

Administration Report: Merrie Rivera said she is very excited to be here and the year is off to a good start. They are working on schedules. Communications are going well. A new way of reporting concerns and behavior issues has been introduced.

Joanie Blechel asked about field trips and Merry Rivera said she and Matt Dunkle are beginning discussions about possible field trips for this school year.

Teacher Report: Alana Thistle reported that professional development before the first day of school was very good. They are happy to welcome Mr. Onofre as the new middle school math teacher. They are working on having the leadership class do morning announcements.

Approval of Minutes: The June minutes were presented. With a motion made by Joanie Blechel, a second by Alana Thistle, all in favor, approved.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report and budget were presented. With a motion made by Linda Strauss, a second by Joanie Blechel, all in favor, approved.

Event Review and Discussion:

Changing the meeting dates was discussed. A motion was made by Terra Del Drago to change meeting dates to the fourth Tuesday of each month, at 5:30pm. With a second by Tiffany Wood, all in favor, approved.

The meeting schedule will be as follows: September 26, October 26, November 28th, December 19th, January 23rd, February 27th, March 26th, April 23rd, May 28th.

A request to add the new Kindergarten class to the list of classroom beginning of the year contributions was approved with an email vote.

Executive meetings will be scheduled for this school year. Joanie Blechel, Terra Del Drago, Tiffany Wood and Alana Thistle are interested in attending.

Tiffany Wood volunteered to coordinate the Harvest Fair. We will keep it separate from Halloween. Amy Dewitt will put an announcement in the school bulletin.

Middle School students can earn community service hours for helping with window painting cleanup.

Tiffany Wood will continue to work on our website development.

New board positions will be discussed at the October meeting.

Trying hybrid meetings was discussed.

Meeting adjourned to closed session.

An open grant was presented. A classroom grant for A Sky Dome performance for all grades in the amount of \$1,795.00 was presented. With a first by Alana Thistle, a second by Tiffany Wood, all in favor, approved.

Jessalee Mills was nominated to join the Forestville Education Foundation Board. With a unanimous vote, the nomination was approved.

Amy Dewitt was nominated to join the Forestville Education Foundation Board. With a unanimous vote, the nomination was approved.

Alana Thistle was nominated to fill the vacant position of board vice president until elections are held in October. With a unanimous vote, the nomination was approved.

The meeting was adjourned 8:00pm.
Linda Strauss/Secretary