

**Jerabek Family Faculty Organization Board Meeting Minutes**  
December 6, 2024 | In-Person and Zoom Meeting

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**Present:** S. Lesberg, C. Gray, J. Sanfelippo, L. Smyres, J. Dutson, S. Camarillo, T. Ailes, A. Flakes, L. Kaplan-Nieto, Tom Nicholl, M. Nuon; **Zoom:** H. Hanks, K. Cummins, J. Wood; **Staff:** J. McDade, M. Blom, A. Del Pego, D. Marquardt, F. T. Cuellar, A. Romo, V. Lew, K. Berger;

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 8:06 a.m. by S. Lesberg. A quorum was present. A. Del Pego motioned to approve minutes from the last meeting. A. Flakes seconded the motion. All approved.

**1. TEACHER'S REPORT: SEE ATTACHED**

**2. SQUARE 1 ART: HOLLY HANKS**

- a. Orders/sales were down significantly this year (\$3600 profit). This could be attributed to the UPS issue and website being down during the ordering window. Advertising was the same. There was no table out front but H.Hanks does not feel it would have made that much of a difference. S. Lesberg asked if there was a way to track orders by grade level. H. Hanks said she could gather that information but it's not currently together. H. Hanks will be communicating with teachers about getting the original artwork back to students.

**3. 5GP: ABBY FLAKES**

- a. Winter Market next week in B20, before and after school Tuesday through Friday. (Dec. 10-13.) Help is still needed from volunteers. Maximum price for items is \$13. Hopeful to raise a significant amount of money, reflective of years past.
- b. The Get Air Fundraiser was not as successful as the team had hoped. About \$150 was raised. Grateful Grams was a huge success and the team raised about \$1800 dollars. They are not planning on doing another gram but may depending on fundraising needs.

**4. HOSPITALITY: ABBY FLAKES**

- a. Continue to give birthday gifts for teachers and staff to Yogurt Heaven. Each teacher gets \$7.
- b. Restaurant nights: C. Gray: Is it hard to put those together? Could we make it the first Thursday of every month? A Flakes: It's fairly easy and can be something we can pursue.

**5. SPRING FLING: TINA AILES**

- a. Black Friday sales were amazing. 130 tickets were sold just that day. 144 tickets have been sold. Made \$17k+ in ticket sales. The prereserved tables have been popular. The initial seven tables were sold out so the team added seven additional table. 12/14 tables have been sold. \$7k in specific sponsorships has been garnered. A room block that can accommodate more than just the rooms for the committee members is available. Tickets go up from \$135 to \$165 on the 16th.
- b. 21 teachers have responded yes to attending and have volunteered. \$310 total has been raised for teachers. Last year \$867.50 was raised for donations for staff tickets. J. Sanfelippo: In past years we have been able to take about \$50-\$75 off teacher tickets.

## **6. ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN: KATIE CUMMINS**

- c. Today is the last day. We had some extra money come in over the last week and a half. Someone made a \$2k donation and company will match 200%, which means it'll be a donation of \$6k. All included we are at about \$77k. We did not reach \$85k but are pleased with donations.
- d. C. Gray: We have a lot to be proud of. Knowing companies match double or triple in December we can think about pushing the AGC out to December.
- e. M. Nuon: My husband was denied for corporate matching by Cisco. J. Dutson: We should be approved because we have 501c3 status. C. Gray will connect with M. Nuon to discuss.
- f. S. Lesberg: We did not reach the BMX assembly incentive. We will talk as a board to discuss what to do with leftover yard signs and license plate holders.

## **6. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: JONATHAN MCDADE**

- a. Jerabek Park Update: Completion will be in March and April 2025.
- b. Budget: Fabiola Bagula, Interim Superintendent held two budget surveys looking for input from educational partners. The Scripps Ranch cluster is continuing to meet to discuss the budget. The district is looking at cutting budgets including not filling district office positions and incentivizing early retirement. Layoff notices may happen. The district has promised to keep cuts furthest from the classrooms. Jerabek has an operating budget between \$60-\$75 million. We have a pretty senior staff so layoffs will not really affect us. We have 724 students and we want to ensure the staffing will be there to support them. Budget summary will be sent to parents/guardians this week. Scripps Ranch cluster will be collaborating.
- c. Modernization: The school needs to start purging to free up space. There are many never-used dictionaries and lost and found items. No date yet on when the next modernization meeting will be.
- d. Math Curriculum: J. McDade restates previously shared information regarding math curriculum pilot. J. Sanfelippo: Is there a possibility that we keep our current math program or will we definitely go with one of the piloted options? Teachers are liking some of the curriculum options but just because they like it does not mean there will be an adoption. J. McDade continues to discuss math instruction and mentions that alignment of time with the needs of our students has been a challenge. Admin is going into classrooms to help meet the needs of students. There continue to be difficulties in the curriculum. Program is not pedagogy. Regarding curriculum/program, there are some budget concerns with Leader in Me that the team is looking into.
- e. Transitional Kindergarten: The "U" (Universal) is dropped. There is a 20:2 ratio of students to teachers. Jerabek will have three sections.
- f. After School Enrichment: All three other schools use Level Up and get kickbacks (e.g. EBS received \$38k last year). Our front office staff is putting in a lot of effort into coordinating the programs. Level Up costs more for families but we are not sure of the difference. Guesses suggest about \$25-50 more per class. M. Nuon and K. Skilton are enrichment coordinators. M. Nuon confirms that coordinating enrichment takes a lot of time and effort. Shana Toerien asked the team not to sign any new providers. M. Nuon will look into cost comparison of Level Up versus current practice. M. Blom: The school also has Klassic Kidz, the SRSRC

after school program, and Prime Time, which gives preferential placement for lower income families and students meeting other criteria. S. Camarillo: If we go with Level Up, which will mean higher costs for families, it is helpful that there are other accessible options for families who might not be able to afford the increased cost.

**7. PRESIDENT’S REPORT: SOPHIA LESBERG**

- a. Joelle Chaplin is new STEAM lab coordinator.
- b. T Shirts for all students from business sponsors will be available next week. SoCal Makers Market: \$5ish per shirt. Every student and teacher will get one. Different grade levels will get a different color. M. Blom: Suggests paraeducators and ed specialists also get a t-shirt.
- c. On Campus Experiences: Planning to have Therapy Dogs at Recess. It is a free service and would likely be well loved by students.

Meeting adjourned at 9:19 a.m. by S. Lesberg

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Camarillo  
Secretary

**Grade Level Reports: November 2024**  
**Jerabek Elementary Family Faculty Organization**

Grade Level	Teacher Representative	Report
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Kindergarten	Berger	In Kinderland we have many fun activities planned to kick off the holiday season!! We enjoyed meeting with parents during conference week. In early January kindergarten will be visiting The Birch Aquarium. In math we have been learning about plane shapes and 3D shapes and units of measurement. In phonics we are working our way through the alphabet, learning to blend sounds to sound out words and learning our snap words. In writing we are learning to stretch out our words and write what we hear. Working on writing sentences and small moment stories. Reading we have been working on story arcs and building vocabulary to describe characters feelings. In science we learned about what a plant needs to survive, living vs non living. In social studies we are learning about being good citizens.
First	Lew	<b>November/December</b> We started November learning about Dia de Los Muertos and recognizing and celebrating the lives of those who in our lives who have passed on. From there we recognized our military families with Veteran's Day and learning about our military families and the sacrifices they make for our freedoms and way of life. We were very thankful for the Thanksgiving Break while being mindful of the different perspectives about the celebration of Thanksgiving. December is already here and it's amazing to think that we only have three weeks until Winter Break! We are busy learning about family customs and traditions, winter holidays, and going on our first 1st Grade Field Trip to the Model Railroad Museum in Balboa Park. What an ending to 2024!
Second	Romo	We are very excited for the upcoming month! We have our first field trip of the year to the USS Midway! The students are excited to get out there to learn and explore. In Math, we are learning the standard algorithm of addition/subtraction with three and two digit numbers. Students have been enjoying showing multiple strategies to help them develop as Mathematicians. The teachers enjoyed parent conferences and we are looking forward to celebrating the holiday season!
Third	Cuellar	<b>December</b> 😊 We're already in December?! Our third graders are cruising along in math--they are finishing up Module 3 and will be plunging into the world of <i>Area</i> next. We are all enjoying using <i>Mystery Writing</i> to help engage in the writing process--we are just beginning the Informational Unit. So far it's been FANTASTIC! We are grateful to have Joelle Chaplin in the STEAM Lab (thank you for making this happen). She is happy and helpful. We will be learning about communicable and noncommunicable diseases in health (Jerabek has had its share of illnesses as of late). Our January field trip is to Mission Trails--we will focus on the Kumeyaay Nation. Happy Holidays from the Third Grade Team--thank you for your

		dedication, care, and generosity! 😊
Fourth	Marquardt	<p>4th Grade is excited to go on our SDSU field trip TODAY! Special thanks to Greg Camarillo for setting up SDSU student athletes to come out and interact with our kids before the women's basketball game. We are wrapping up our Fictional Narrative writing unit and continuing our Word study using Words Their Way and Mentor Sentences. We just finished our Math Module 3 unit on multiplication and division and started Module 4 covering geometry. In social studies, we are researching California native american tribes. In science, we will cover a Mystery Science Unit on Animal Adaptations which also includes some fun hands-on activities &amp; investigations. We just started our 3rd round of Speech Masters where students are doing a Book Talk/Book Review. We have been going to STEAM Lab and utilizing the NEW Lego SPIKE Essential kits and having Joelle present for our days has been AMAZING! Thank you, FFO!</p>
Fifth	Del Pego	<p>Good Morning, We truly enjoyed meeting with all 97 parents during conferences. December is a busy time of the month as we work on completing tasks and preparing for our holiday celebration.</p> <p>We are in our groove and working on...</p> <p>Math- we started on adding and subtracting fractions with uncommon denominators, learning about least common multiples and simplifying fractions. Next we will be transitioning to multiplying and dividing fractions in module 4. This unit will take us all the way to Mid March.</p> <p>Writing- we have been practicing formatting letters. We are trying to use sources to back up our opinions, quoting experts and creating a thesis.</p> <p>Science- We are culminating our physical science unit. We just completed an experiment on separating dry mixtures.</p> <p>Social Studies- We are currently reading Pedro's Journal. Through the text we are learning about Christopher Coloumbus's first voyage as well as examining figurative language and character analysis.</p> <p>STEAM LAB- We are SO GRATEFUL for Joelle, our new STEAM Coordinator. She is doing great and is so helpful, we truly appreciate all that she is doing to make our visits here easier.</p>