

Irvine Community Nursery School  
General Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, January 18, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm.

**Selena introduces speaker: Dr. Michael Shackelford, Kindergarten teacher**

**Kindergarten Readiness**

- Passed out Kindergarten Round-Up handout from last year.
- IUSD Kindergarten Round-Up is on March 8th at every school. Enrollment is on March 9th.
- How to get your child ready? Play, read, play games, socialize, send to preschool.
- No requirements to send your child to Kindergarten.
- Public schools are an institution. Irvine is least funded district in State, since originally founded as an agricultural community, not funded like Garden Grove and Santa Ana.
- Common Core-same standards in all states. CA standard is a little higher. Irvine expectation is even higher.
- Do not feel like your child is not ready if they do not read.
- Each kid is "interviewed" for 20 minutes at a meet and greet at your neighborhood school...in order to balance classes, has nothing to do with each kid personally, i.e.: ESL, special education, kids with no preschool education, etc.
- Every kid picks their nose.
- Google CA Common Core Standards.
- TK-Social/Developmental. No curriculum.
- Teach your child how to tie their shoes, learn ABCs, count to 100.
- Please practice with scissors and pencil grip. Do not teach your child to write their name in all CAPS.
- Some schools have homework and a homework journal.
- Go to your neighborhood school's Kindergarten Round-Up.
- All schools love volunteers!
- TK Eligible: Birthdays between 9/2-12/2. Trust your gut to send your kid...
- District plans to maintain TK but it is a fluid program based upon enrollment.

Break.

Melissa Stoldt made a motion to approve November general meeting minutes. Chelsea Turner seconded. The motion passed.

**Miss Donna speaks:**

- We have two new families in the 2-day class. Aria and Arya.
- Further discusses TK.
- Next week, International Day. (3-day, 1/24) and (2-day, 1/25). Tell your child about your culture, dress up, share a snack, sing a song, say a phrase. A handout will follow with details.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences will be on February 27, 28.
- "Hop To It Award" Golden Kangaroo goes to Dao for bringing in 99% of the donations for the holiday party.

**Melissa Stoldt (Membership) speaks:**

- Summer School. First Session starts 6/18 M-Th. Second Session starts 6/25 M-Th. 50% of the membership is interested in attending summer school.
- Registration for Fall 2018 packets will be distributed at February general meeting.
- We need a Membership Chairperson on our Board for next year. You will have 2 assistants to help you with your job.
- Fall Preview day for ICNS friends and family 2/22 at 3:30pm

**Wende Hernandez (Ways and Means) speaks:**

- Miss Bushra's birthday fundraiser is on Thursday, 2/8. Flyer to be distributed. Restaurant is The Stand. Must have flyer to earn credit for school from hours of 11am-9pm.
- Mak-It Plates: template will be e-mailed and handout to follow. Due in February.
- \$7,388 raised to date.

**Miss Donna speaks:**

- OCCPPNS - next year OC is hosting convention. We need to find speakers, have a healthy budget. Know anybody?

**Priti Hurd (FIELD TRIP CHAIR). speaks:**

- Library trips will be on 1/29 and 2/1. We will walk there after snack.
- Trying to schedule fire station walk.
- Trying to schedule nature places such as: La Brea Tar Pits, Aquarium (\$8.50 admission), Legoland (during break or after 4/9), Mammal Center, Tucker Wildlife Sanctuary.
- May 24th is beach day via train

- Camping trip is on 6/2
- CPK tour and pizza making, \$10/kid. 2/18

**Alex Hurst (trike-a-thon) speaks:**

- TRIKE-A-THON fundraiser is on Friday, March 23rd, from 10am-12pm.
- Collecting breakfast donations.
- location: Echo Run park in Woodbridge.
- We also need raffle prizes.
- Pledge forms to follow, \$100 minimum per family.

**Faiza (PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH DADS)**

- Saturday, 2/3 @ 8am. Siblings welcomed. Sign-up sheet to be posted.

**Jane Lee (CAMP TRIP)**

- Camping Trip at O'Neill Park, Saturday, 6/2 overnight. Information to follow.

**Priscilla Cottone (President)**

- Schedulers will contact you if you need more work days.
- January 20th is a cleaning day on a Saturday at 8am. No children can be present.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:10AM