Tarzana NC Budget Committee Meeting Support August 21, 2024

Agenda Item 6. Rollover of \$6,494.39. See attached schedule from LA City Clerk.

Agenda Item 7. Questions asked by Committee Chair to support NPG request by teacher.

- 1. A). Does the LAUSD supply teachers with computers and/or make computers available to them? No, teachers are not supplied with computers. I purchased my own computer many years ago and it's not working well anymore. Our school has a limited number of computers for teachers and I do not have one.
- B). Why is a MACBook Pro 15 inch required for this request? I selected this computer because it is the same computer our principal and assistant requested from the Tarzana Neighborhood Council in the past, for our school newspaper teacher. They requested a printer too, but I don't need that because our school supplies printers.
- 2. Your request appears to ask to purchase 208 scissors of different types and 200 pencil sharpeners. Please explain. I requested enough scissors and pencil sharpeners for each student in my class because many can't afford their own. I can reduce the number of scissors and pencil sharpeners.
- 3. Most of the money required for items requested relate to clay or painting supplies. You teach social studies. Please explain. What happens if your social studies students don't have any talent for working with clay or paintings? Students will complete individual and group projects throughout the year. Students of different levels, including General Education, Special Education, and Gifted Students will be able to shine with the medium they select. Since I am offering many different mediums, students will be able to find one they are comfortable with. In the past, students were comfortable with either paint or clay. But, I can use some of the \$100 given to me from the school to purchase other mediums for them. With the choice of mediums, students will shine by the skills they learn while completing projects.
- 4. How long has this program been in effect? How was this program funded in past years? How much did it cost? What were the results? My program has been in effect for years and I usually have students purchase their own materials. But since the pandemic, families have more debt and don't have the money to purchase any supplies.
- 5. Do any other teachers in the Social Studies Department use this or a similar program? How do they fund their program? No one in the Social Studies Department has a similar program to mine. Many teachers give tests for assessments. I teach project based and give students the choice for their projects.
- 6. What out of pocket teacher unreimbursed expenditures are funded by the school, school fundraising, parental contributions or other sources? How are reimbursements determined? Each Portola teacher is given \$100 per school year to buy supplies. We do not get supply money from parents.

Office of the City Clerk Administrative Services Division Neighborhood Council Funding Program

Date: August 7, 2024

To: Tarzana Neighborhood Council

Subject: Fiscal Year 2023 - 2024 Final Expenditure Analysis

Dear Tarzana NC:

This Office has conducted a reconciliation of your funding account for Fiscal Year 2023 - 2024:

Annual Budget	\$ 32,000.00	
Add: Adjustments including rollover	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
Less: Total Expenditures for FY 23 - 24	\$ 35,505.61	
Outstanding Checks	\$ -	
Accruals	\$ -	\$ (35,505.61)
Net Cash		\$ 6,494.39