




# **Friends of Albert Einstein Academies**

## **Open Board Meeting**

November 28, 2023  
6:30pm

# Thank you for joining us!

Session is being recorded.  If you do not want to be recorded, please turn off your video now.



Please ensure that your microphone is muted.

We have scheduled one hour for this meeting.



Questions/Comments? -



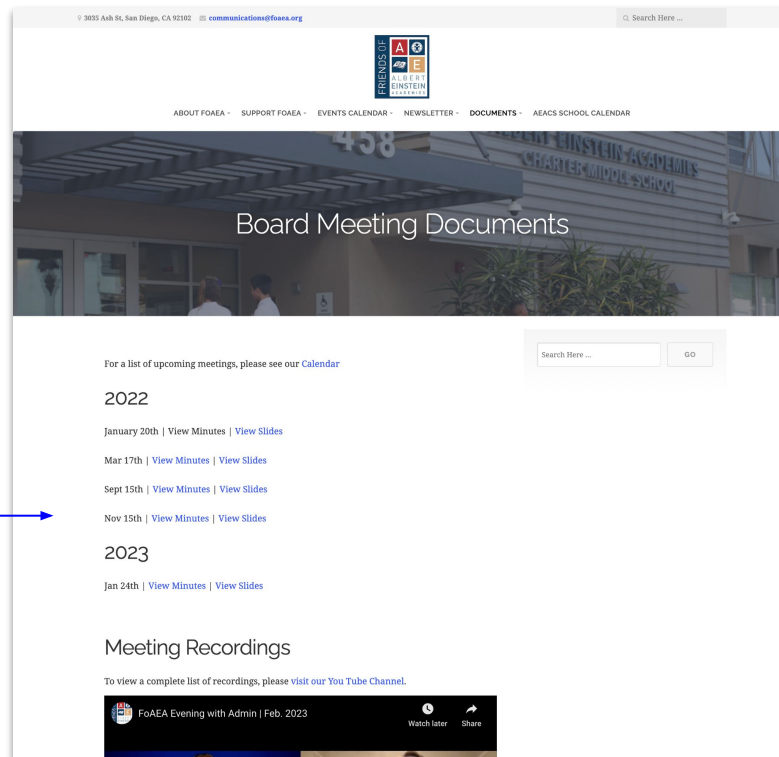
Please feel free to raise your virtual hand, communicate via the chat or wait until the end of the session. We look forward to hearing from you.

# Agenda

- Approval of Minutes
- Welcome and Introductions
- New Initiatives
- Treasurer Update
  - Friendsgiving
  - Staff Grants Program
  - Sept/Oct Income & Expenses
- Events
  - Recap Recent
  - Upcoming
- Family Engagement Opportunities
  - SSC
  - DELAC
- Ways to Support FoAEA
- Stay Connected
- Comments/Questions

# Approval of Meeting Minutes

To see a list of meeting minutes  
and slides from previous  
meetings, please visit  
[foaea.org/board-meetings](https://foaea.org/board-meetings)



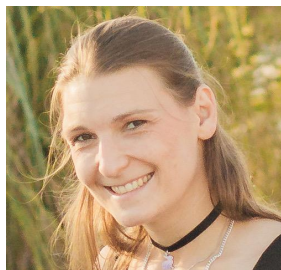
# 2023-24 Board Members



***President***  
Christine Roche



***Vice President***  
Heather McLean



***Treasurer***  
Rosalie Henke



***Secretary***  
Vanessa Ciranek



***Communications***  
Katie Pipes



***Room Parent Coordinator***  
Andrea Patin



***Cultural Lead***  
Vanessa Klein



***Event Coordinator***  
Amanda Rowe



***Fundraising***  
Lorine Wilcox

# 2023-24 Supporting Members



## ***Volunteer Coordinator***

Steffi Wolf

## ***Social Media***

Maaike Petrie

## ***Webmaster***

Erica Zietzsch

## ***Run-a-thon and Read-a-thon***

Jen Frapwell

## ***ES Teacher Rep***

Ms Diane Calhoun

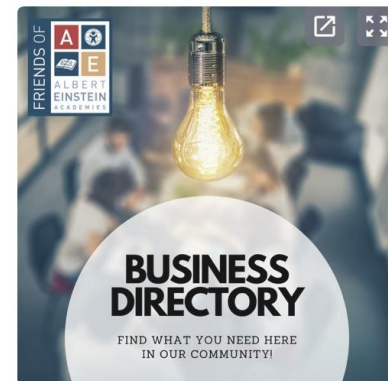
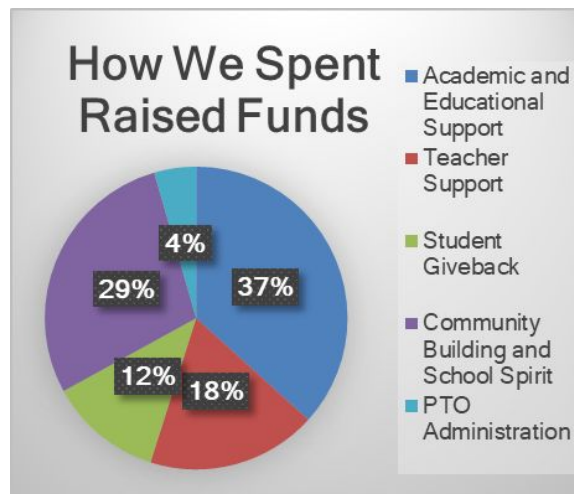
## ***MS Teacher Rep***

Ms Hana Granillo

# New Initiatives

# New Initiatives

- Business Directory
- 2023-2024 Annual Report
  - Raised \$145,748
  - Spent \$201,228



**Looking for a specific type of business service?**

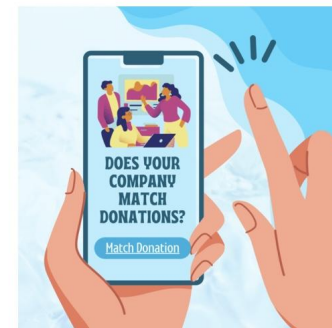
FoAEA has curated a Business Directory so that we can support our community!

*Both can be found at [www.foaea.org](http://www.foaea.org)*



# New Initiatives

- Employer Matching
- German Intern Host Family Support
- Nikolaustüten for both campuses - Dec 6



Qualcomm  
Kaiser Permanente  
Sempra Energy  
LPL Financial Services  
Raytheon  
Neurocrine Biosciences  
...And More!

Meet our Interns!  
**Karren & Lina**



**Did you know that every year, AEA has German-speaking interns working in your students' classrooms?**

**AEA relies on host families to house our interns who add so much to our community!**

**Interested in hosting? Reach out to Birgit Schafer at:**  
bschafer@aeacs.org  
(619) 795-1190 ext. 2105

**Stay tuned for more on Karren & Lina's experiences as part of the AEA community!**

**Interested in Hosting?**

**Reach out to Birgit Schafer at:**  
bschafer@aeacs.org  
(619) 795-1190 ext. 2105



**THANK YOU!**



# Fundraising

- \$1/day fundraiser - 58 new donors
- Krispy Kreme fundraiser - pre-order by the dozen Nov 1-30
- Giving Tuesday



**KRISPY KREME DOZENS TO SUPPORT**  
*Friends of Albert Einstein Academy*



**\$18 PER DOZEN**



**OVER 50%  
DONATED BACK**



**ENDS November 30.**



To Purchase Doughnuts

# Fundraising

Annual Gala - Saturday, April 27

- Volunteer opportunities
- Corporate sponsors
- Silent auction donations

# Treasurer Update

# Friendsgiving



Friendsgiving projects granted in September and October:

- ES library: Tiptoi pens and bilingual books
- Running club: Hooks and bands for badges
- K classroom: IKEA shelves and bins
- K classroom: Wooden pencils
- 1st grade (all classes): Solar eclipse sunglasses
- 3rd grade (2 classrooms): Lap desks
- 4th-8th grade: Composition notebooks for English literacy
- 6th grade Math: beads and string
- MS Science: Shake Table
- MS German food project: cutlery and plates

# Staff Grants Program



Each semester FoAEA grants up to \$12,500 for school related projects

- Grants should have a lasting impact on student development and learning and reach as many students as possible.
- A diverse team (parent/teacher reps) meet to review and approve or decline grants.

## Funding requests granted:

- 3rd Grade Classroom Transformation: Rotations and Resources
- 5th Grade Outdoor Corridor Improvement
- Middle School: Stage Keyboard MS Band



## Funding requests granted, and will discuss funding sources / extend further with teachers:

- TK to 1st Grade: Handwriting Kits
- 1st Grade: Kinnebars to provide structured movement to help our young learners
- Middle School: DTG Printer for T-Shirt Design

# Treasurer Update - September/October

## Income = \$

- Dollar A Day: \$7,750
- Community Donations: \$791
- Pretzel Sales: \$915
- Movie Night: \$1,148
- Multi-Cultural Festival: \$1,138
- Classroom Funds: \$5,740

## Expenses = \$

- Friendsgiving: \$1,641
- Pretzel Sales: \$531
- Movie Night: \$2,008
- Multi-Cultural Event: \$2,288
- Gala: \$4,480 (incl down payment location)
- ES/MS Staff Coffee: \$2,094
- Teacher and Staff Appreciation: \$100
- Book fair: \$2,500
- Admin: \$1,234

# Room Parent Update



# Room Parents



## Room Parent Gift Givers

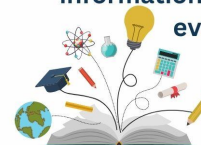
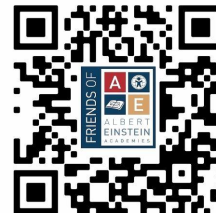
- Receiving the Teacher Appreciation Funds this week
- Birthdays, Holiday Break, STAW & End of Year gifts
- FoAEA is pitching in \$320 toward this fund to supplement some grades

## Room Parent Communications

- Continue to check the newsletter
- 2 emails a month with reminders
- If you are not receiving emails from your room parent, email:  
[esroomparent@foaea.org](mailto:esroomparent@foaea.org)

## FoAEA Newsletter

Check out the  
FOAEA  
Newsletter for  
up-to-date  
information and  
events



<https://qrco.de/foaeaneews>

# Recent Events Recap

# Pretzel Sales

- Celebrated German Unity Day
- Sold at both campuses on Tuesday, Oct 3
- We sold 5 boxes of pretzels and raised \$384



# Movie Night

- Held Friday, Sept 22 at the MS
- 160+ attended



# Multi-Cultural Festival

- Held Saturday, Oct 14 at the MS
- 150+ attended
- Variety of vendors (Columbia, Ireland, Austria, Iran, Germany, Mexico, India, England, USA)
- Music and entertainment





# Volunteers Events

## Used Uniform Swap

- Held on Friday, October 20
- 8 large boxes with clothes in sizes XS (4/5) - XXL (16/18)
- Uniforms from both campuses



## Volunteer Coffee Meetup

- Held on Thursday, October 26 at Intazza
- More than 25 volunteers attended



# Trunk or Treat

- Held Friday, October 28 at Balboa Park
- 200+ attended



# Lanternfest

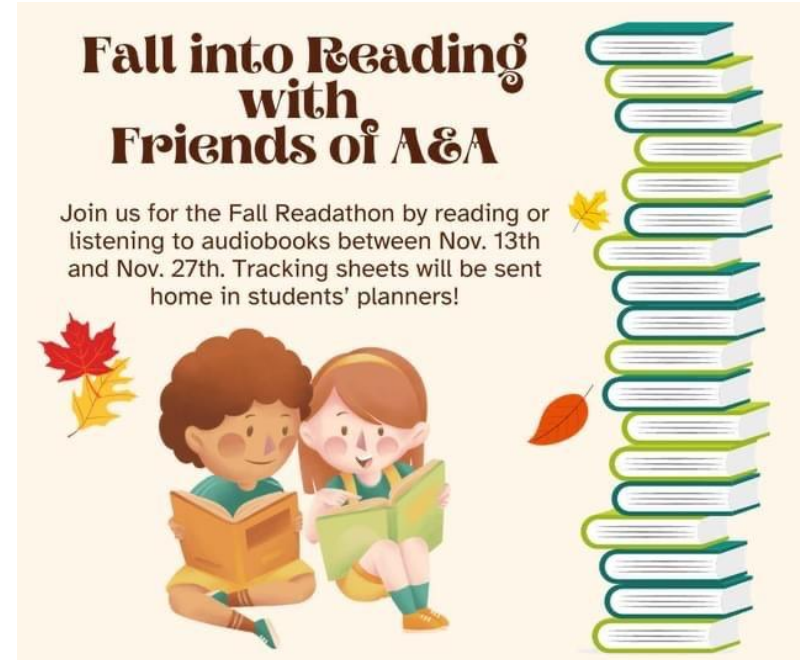
- Held Wednesday, November 15th
- 200+ attended
- Seven Seas coffee truck
- Baked sale & Weckmänner sale
- 40 Coats to PATH
- 290lbs of Food to Feeding San Diego





# Read-a-thon

- Held Nov 13-27
- Students track how many minutes they read and one class from each grade level will win a pizza party
- Book fair - one free book for each student
- Donations for audio books for the library



# Upcoming Events

# Wintermarkt

- Sunday, Dec 3rd from 4-7pm at the Middle School Basketball Courts
  - 20+ vendors (student & local vendors)
  - Festive food and holiday drinks
  - Kids games and crafts
  - Live music
- 



**For a complete list of upcoming events, visit [our website calendar](#) at [www.foaea.org](http://www.foaea.org).**

**For volunteer opportunities, please email [volunteer\\_coordinator@foaea.org](mailto:volunteer_coordinator@foaea.org)**

# Family Engagement Opportunities

# Family Engagement Opportunities

## **School Site Council Meeting**

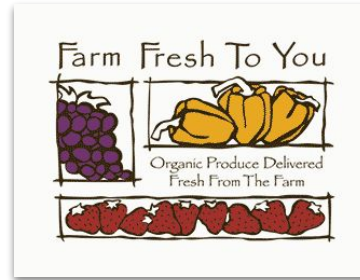
- Monthly meetings to help guide the school's plan to reduce the achievement gap and ensure all students meet state academic standards
- When: Tuesday, January 9 from 4:30-6:00 pm (dinner and childcare are provided)
  - 4:30-5:00 pm Dinner and Mingling (for those who are interested)
  - 5:00-6:00 pm SSC meeting
- Where: 3035 Ash Street, San Diego, CA 92102 (Elementary School MPR)
  - This meeting will be held in person and will be available via Zoom.

## **District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)**

- Meets 4 times per year to provide guidance on the needs of Multilingual Learners who are learning English; meeting is conducted in Spanish and translated into English.
- When: Tuesday, January 23 from 4:30-6:00 pm (dinner and childcare are provided)
  - 4:30-5:00 pm Dinner and Mingling (for those who are interested)
  - 5:00-6:00 pm DELAC meeting
- Where: 3035 Ash Street, San Diego, CA 92102 (Elementary School MPR)
  - This meeting will be held in person and will be available via Zoom.

# Ways to Support FoAEA

# Ways to Support FoAEA



Donate directly at [foaea.org](https://foaea.org)  
Join our Dollar-A-Day donation program.

No gift is too small or large.

Subscribe to  
**Farm Fresh to You** CSA for your  
fresh vegetables & eggs.

10% comes back to FoAEA.

Volunteer for various events.  
Send an email to  
[volunteer\\_coordinator@foaea.org](mailto:volunteer_coordinator@foaea.org) to learn about  
volunteer opportunities.

For more information, visit [foaea.org](https://foaea.org)

# Ways to Stay Connected



Visit our website: [foaea.org](https://foaea.org)



Follow us on  
**Public Facebook Page**



# Comments/Questions

**Thank you!**  
**Dankeschön!**  
**Gracias!**

Our next open board meeting  
Tuesday, Jan 30, 2024 @ 6:30pm

# Minutes - November 2023 Open Meeting

- Minutes from September meeting were approved
- The FoAEA Board and supporting members were introduced and the new interim Secretary was welcomed
- Families were encouraged to review FoAEA's 2022/23 annual report and new initiatives (Employee matching, Nikolaustueten, Hosting Interns)
- A financial update about Friendsgiving projects, Staff grant and Sep/Oct income and expenses was given
- Families were encouraged to participate in Dollar/Day campaign
- FoAEA Newsletter was introduced and discussed as new means of communication with AEA families
- Room Parents Gift Givers budget was reviewed and Room Parent Communication was
- Recap of events from October and November (incl. Pretzel Sale, Movie Night, Multi Cultural Festival, Used Uniform Swap, Volunteer Coffee, Trunk or Treat, Lanternfest, Read-a-thon)
- Families were encouraged to attend and volunteer at the upcoming Wintermarkt
- Family Engagement Opportunities (SSC meetings, Annual Title I Meeting, DELAC meetings) were discussed and promoted
- Opportunities to support FoAEA through donations and volunteering was shared and encouraged