

Wednesday, October 1 • 6 - 7pm • Auditorium

1. **Treasurer's Report (SD):** Our biggest expenditure is the Teacher's Aide , \$12,000, #2 below. Our Organization Costs include taxes, insurance and also pizza for these meetings. Because we are hiring a teacher's aide, we are now back to funding field trips through FoSA (and not via the school). Teachers who got grants for field trips last year will get their refunds soon. *Angel Donations have come in from only 17 families* and total \$2,675. We need to send out an email with these figures so that we can let Short Avenue families know and perhaps there will be some more contributions. [eScrip](#) & [Amazon](#) are up – thank you to everyone who uses our [Shop for Short](#) fundraisers.
2. **Funding Teacher's Aide.** Ms. Paulos is excited about offering the job to a really great candidate. This will make a difference to our school. It will be paid for with the money previously intended for the librarian (now paid for by LAUSD).
3. **New Library Aide** – our very own Alicia Casilli. Congratulations Alicia!!! There is a lot of work to do! The books are disorganized and dirty. Volunteers would be appreciated to help with alphabetizing the books and cleaning them. Can you help out Fridays after drop-off? AC wants to start an 'Adopt a Book' program to bring more, high-quality books into the library. Paperbacks are being removed and offered to teachers to augment their classroom libraries. Damaged books have been removed. AC needs district training to be allowed to lend out books to children, and hopefully it will happen soon.
4. **Del Rey Day – Sunday, October 19, 11am - 3pm** – NEED VOLUNTEERS (AC and Ellie Bertwell, Del Rey Neighborhood Council). This is a free event to bring Del Rey community together. If we want, our students can perform or be represented in some way, in addition to having a booth. We need to let them know what we would like to do or show. Jamie and Chria Hazlitt have volunteered for two hours at a booth. *We need 2-4 more volunteers for two more hours.* We will promote Del Rey Day to our own school community. Their website is: delreync.org. They also have an Education Committee which exists to help local schools. They have helped us in the past and they would love to help us again.
5. **Beautification Day** – Great turnout – MANY THANKS TO ALL, with special thanks to Sandrine Klein and Ms. Trapnell (AC) [Addendum: If anyone has welding experience or access to a welder, please contact any FoSA team member to help fix two of our well-used benches.]
6. **International Day** – October 13. Mr Lightner will play in the morning and perhaps later on as well. Perhaps the Del Rey Jazz Band can play for us as well? The International Day flyer will go home on Friday. There will be an International Smorgasbord from 7:15-8:00am. Kids can come in costume. There will be a parade & special assembly, flag decorating, cultural object & ethnographic exhibition in the library. Alicia has been pulling out books in the library on international subjects and is making a display with them.
7. **Food Truck Fiesta** – Oct 15 – The Surfer Taco, The Los Lobos Truck, Sweet E's!
8. **Fall Fun Fest** – Friday, November 7 – NEED VOLUNTEERS (AC) The date of this event has been moved again due to testing, and event may be canceled. Concern was expressed that the event will be impacted by losing the connection with Halloween. Families can be reassured that there will be a Halloween parade in school on Friday Oct 31st. Please be aware that this event cannot succeed without lots of volunteers. So far, we only have about 2 for every classroom and we need many more.
9. **Goodwill Donation Drive** (AC). November, exact date not decided, yet. Pre collection from Oct 15. Please let your friends, family & neighbors know so that they can start clearing out and preparing. AC will put a listing on Craigslist/Next Door and other local media. We also want to encourage neighborhood families having garage sales during these weekends to drop-off all leftovers to us (for PODS storage)!
10. **Scholastic Book Fair** – Preview on Nov 7 and then running through week of parent teacher conferences, Nov 10-18. *Volunteers needed* to staff book fair. AC will use Signup Genius to organize when people can work. Student council offered to help staff the door & their offer was gratefully accepted.

11. **Movie Night** Friday October 24th, time undecided, but maybe start at 6pm. There will be food concessions. Movie is free, but you pay for food. To make this more of a fundraiser, there was a suggestion to take donations and direct them towards various programs (library, field trips, etc.), perhaps alternating monthly.
12. Open Forum
13. **Barnes & Noble Night?** This event is not happening in the same way as last year. It was too much work for too little money. However, we are maintaining our relationship with Barnes & Noble by displaying Short Avenue kids' art. The Scholastic Book Fair will bring this kind of event in-house and brings extra revenue to our school.