



October 3, 2023

PTA Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 3:48pm.

Approval of August Minutes: Lissie moves to approve, Ali seconds, minutes approved.

President's Report

FUNd Run

FUNd Run money is all in. It went well. We need to decide how to spend the extra money that was made.

Volunteer Opportunities

Please sign up to bring food to Parent-Teacher Conferences! We are planning to feed the teachers all three days. We also need help with the Book Fair.

Reading Night

We're hoping to get a parent to help with reading night. Esther is willing to be the teacher in charge as long as the timing is different from last year. She had mentioned November, but November is already looking pretty full this year. Maybe January for February?

Treasurer's Report

The proposed budget has been handed out. We made \$15,300 at the FunDRun.

Michelle would like to give Suzanne \$41.38 for Family Breakfast. Suzanne went a little over budget, but she did an incredible job and we'd like to pay her back.

We want to increase the budget for reading night, math night, art show, mad money (so that we can give mad money to OTs and PTs) and field trips (we're hoping there will be more this year).

We also want to sell some sweatshirts this year, but we'll need to up the school store budget. Liz moves to add \$700 to the school store, Lissie seconds, motion approved.

Lissie moves that we add \$500 to teacher appreciation to bring the balance up to \$2,000, Ali seconds, motion approved.

Lissie moves that we accept all proposed budget changes with the two additions in this meeting, Liz seconds, motion approved.

Tony is wondering about the 4th grade swimming budget. It has been moved to their field trip budget. The pool is understaffed, but as soon as they have the staff to support it he would like to continue that. We all support the swimming field trip and agree that the budget can be adjusted if it's possible for them to go.

Tony is working on getting Mountain access to the ski hill on Wednesday afternoons. The ski club is paying for buses. He's hoping for at least 75 5th-6th graders each week.

Membership Report

We currently have 19 members.

Principal's Report

Several high school art students have been commissioned to create art in the spooky hallway. There will be a couple of spruce up mountain days to fix up that area.

There has been some staff training at the school to help staff be informed about behavior and academic plans and what kind of support can be offered.

Parent volunteers have been making a huge difference with school lunch. The school is still struggling with breakfast allocation. They keep getting shorted. A Chartwells employee needs to be made available. There have also been some technical difficulties with the calendar online. It is not accurately portraying what is being served.

Each school is hosting a sort of day care sponsored by the Y for fall break. The program is already full.

Carnival Report

The Halloween Carnival will take place on October 21 from 3pm-6pm. The haunted house will be set up the week before and the Friday before. We need people to come set up on Saturday at 10am. We still need someone to be in charge of the craft area and we need someone to help set up games.

Someone brings up that since we have one school board candidate coming to carnival, we should invite all of the school board candidates from our districts. Lissie agrees to reach out to them.

If anyone has connections with a business that might donate to the silent auction, please contact Liz.

We need lots of volunteers on the day of the carnival. If you can sign up ahead of time it would be appreciated.

Bookfair Report

The book fair is here. We will set it up on Thursday at 12:00. We could use some help. Kids are welcome. We need the signup link to go to Mountain parents. The Book Fair will be open as soon as fall break ends and there will be lots of opportunities to shop.

Grant Requests

6th Grade

Glorietta Field Trip - 6th graders have missed out on a lot of field trips due to Covid and other circumstances. They have not received their fair share of fund raising dollars. The adventure activity proposed has lots of physical and social benefits. This place is cool. There are tons of fun activities available. These kids have really struggled to bond and be together since covid and the 6th grade team believes that this field trip would really benefit them. They'd like to go back in the spring to see if there has been improvement. They've been denied funding from other sources. They use their allotted money for graduation activities and t-shirts for the kids at the end of the year. Members are afraid that we can't approve the entire grant (it would use too much of our grant budget), but if the sixth grade team is willing to use their \$1,000 previously allocated, we might be able to make it work. The bus can be covered by the field trips budget, so we can lower the grant to subtract that. The sixth grade team argues that because this particular group of students has missed out on so many field trips they really would like the entire thing to be funded. The graduation activities that they use their allocated money for are important to them. Liz moves to approve the entire grant using the additional FunD Run money. Megan Lee seconds. Motion approved.

2nd grade

Ancient Grecian Clay Pot Project with Little Studio on the Mesa - Michelle moves to approve, Megan lee seconds. Motion approved.

S'mores Newsletters - Many teachers use this program. Megan will look into if there's a way to get a school wide license for s'more. Lissie moves to approve, Chelsie seconds, motion approved.

Etc.

We might need to use PTA funds to get some more soup for tomorrow.

Liz wants to know if we are supporting the science fair. It's in November. Megan is planning to do it. There is money that needs to be paid for that soon. Megan will check on that and update us.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45pm

Attendees:

Alina Hansell, Lissie Ham, Stephanie Haaser, Rebecca Littleton, Erin Cook, Kylene Melton, Tony Hinojosa, Liz Daly, Megan Lee, Michelle Certik, Chelsie Wilson