

## Sierra Elementary PTO General Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2020, Wednesday at 6:02 PM

Meeting held via Zoom

Attendees: Stephanie Nuttall, Christine Vanderpool, Amy Fisher, Carrie Dabau, Principal Gibson, Julie Davis, Heidi Stolowski, Sarah West, Tara Bellino, Jill Cable, Jenny d'Escoto, Kim Bonner, Yalda Shokoohinia, Jim Edens, Olivares, Tina Buskirk, Kim Graber, Linh Bober

Stephanie Nuttall welcomed everyone "into the unknown" and called the meeting to order. She also welcomed everyone with the new Sierra theme of the year, "Knock It Out of the Park. She also introduced herself as the President of PTO.

Principal Gibson reported he is excited for the year and teachers are getting everything ready for the year. He mentioned he was looking forward to working with PTO virtually and in person. He responded on a parent question about Hot Lunches. He said any student that wants a lunch through December is free. Similar lunches as previous years but no salad bar. Student will have two choices for Hot Lunches and students will be sitting 3 to a table from their class. He also commented that 4/5<sup>th</sup> grade Compact Math will look a little different. It will be via Zoom and will have Bluetooth headphones and with support. In response to Recess, he said there have been heat and high pollution advisory so must watch for that. There will also be zones on the playground, students will be able to take breaks from wearing the mask, and not all equipment will be accessible. Equipment will be sprayed, and students will rotate through the zones.

Carrie Dabau presented and discussed the current PTO budget with the attendees. She discussed the 59 line item events. Budget was approved at 6:19PM, first approval from Jenny d'Escoto and second approval from Julie Davis.

Stephanie went over the current PTO calendar for the year and shared it visually to the group via Zoom. There are a lot of restaurant nights scheduled that she went over and explained they were all socially distance approved. Hillside and Bahama Bucks were the restaurants for this month. Stephanie shared that tomorrow starts the J. Crew Factory Shop and Share and will run for 2weeks, September 17- October 1. Monies will be donated back to Sierra and if you spend more than \$100 it is a discount. She mentioned that Virtual Bingo is coming up in October. She suggested there would be a trial run and Jenny d'Escoto is chairing the event. Please help her if interested. November events were mentioned and presented. JDRF Fundraiser and will find out more as it gets closer. Watch Dog night will be at the end of November if possible. In January there will be a King Pin Bowling event for everyone to attend. February is a Girls Dance event with the theme, "Gotta Dance". Stephanie told the group the Spring Carnival has been moved to April and hoping this can happen. Kim Graber is chairing this event and any parent that wants to help run this event with Kim is welcomed. The Fall Party was swapped to the Spring Carnival on April 9<sup>th</sup>. A few similar activities but with Spring twists. Gallery night will be at the end of April and please help if interested. Stephanie encouraged the group to reach out to her and or Sarah West if interested in helping with any events.

Stephanie thanked everyone and said she knows we will have a wonderful year.

Adjourned 6:29PM