Sierra PTO General Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2019

Meeting called to order at 9:38am

PTO Room

- 1. Welcome was done by Stephanie and introductions were done by PTO board and parents that attended.
- 2. Treasury Report—Carrie presented the PTO Budget Report in depth. Items discussed were:
 - a. Bingo Night—successful event.
 - b. Cash rewards
 - c. Fall Festival
 - d. Fall Fundraiser—school reached the \$25,000 goal set for the year. We are currently waiting for corporate matching. Kim's fundraising supply expenses have already been taken out and we should exceed the \$25,000 goal.
 - e. Restaurant Night—The two events the school has already had has been successful.
 - f. A budget line item to be added is for Testing Snacks (AZ Merit) and permanently be placed on the budget in the amount of \$300.
 - g. 5th grade celebration
 - h. Assemblies—Deb's Dragons(reptile interactive program) deposit was sent. PTO budgets for three assemblies: Deb's Dragons, Veteran Assembly and Author Visit.
 - i. Blue Ribbon-we are anticipating
 - j. Boo Hoo and Donuts was successful.
 - k. Classroom material-teacher room supplies funds
 - I. Communications—for cost of print jobs and flyers
 - m. Community Service—Feed My Starving Children flyer expenses
 - n. Compassion Fund—haven't used the \$100 amount
 - o. Family Fun Night/Family Paint Night—will be hidden on the budget line. We will not be doing those events this year.
 - p. Daddy/Daughter Dance and Mother/Son Bowling events
 - q. Gifts to school—cost of the mural that was done over the summer
 - r. Health Office and History Wall—also hidden on budget, no budget for these items.
 - s. Insurance-Renewed in late October
 - t. Movie Night—anticipate spending \$1,000 for the event.
 - u. Office Supplies—Anticipate \$500 for the year.
 - v. PTO Discretionary—Kyrene night we gave \$200 for the silent auction. Also paid for a fingerprint for a non-parent.
 - w. Spelling Bee--\$50 allocated
 - x. Staff Appreciation--\$200 allocated
 - y. Student Agendas—over this year, larger class size
 - z. Student Directory—under budget
 - aa. Student Folders—all grades
 - bb. Student Readers-still an agenda item
 - cc. Supply Packs-no longer funds for

- dd. Teacher lounge--\$500 allocated
- ee. Teacher Support-checks went out
- ff. Turkey Trot--\$300
- gg. Volunteer Appreciation--\$800

Budget was approved.

- 3. PTO Recaps:
 - a. Fall Fundraiser Recap—Kim thanked everyone for their support. We exceeded the schools goal of \$25,000. Kim said she met with a small community of parents to discuss how to do the fundraiser better for next year and also got teacher feedback on the fundraiser. Sierra will move forward for next year with the same fundraiser.
 - b. Bingo Night Recap—Niccoli reported that it was very successful. School made a profit of \$4,389.
- 4. PTO Business Reminders:
 - a. Watch DOGS—Thank you gift will be given to Bobby Myers and Mathew Anderson. Niccoli will present the gift to the dads that have volunteered their time to the organization. The group will introduce the new dad leading the Watch DOGS, Adam Brandt.
 - b. Feed My Starving Children—Saturday, 9/14/2019
 - c. Blood Drive is Friday, 9/27/2019. Kim will be sending flyers home today with the students. This is the schools 4th year doing the blood drive and the school is honoring the drive for a previous student in need. Sign up online or email Kim Graber. Blood drive is from 9-1pm.
 - d. Lunch on the Lawn—Rescheduled to 10/8/19 for cooler weather. This will event will also be a final celebration for the Fundraiser. Jackie in the front office will help PTO organize this event.
 - e. Fall Festival event is 10/25/19. Volunteer spots will be open. Stephanie encourages parents to help. Informed the group that new bouncy houses and petting zoo will be there.
- 5. <u>Miscellaneous</u>: (Stephanie reported)
 - a. Retail Night will be at J Crew on 9/28/19 and 9/29/19 from 12-4. Flyers to go home.
 - b. Sprit Wear will hopefully be sent home on Monday.
 - c. Yearbook-PTO to send out an updated code as well as put on our website.
- 6. Stephanie went over PTO Calendar of Events:
 - a. Veteran's Day on the 8th and Stephanie asked for parents help with banners.
 - b. Turkey Trot—brand new costume for the turkey.
 - c. Holiday Shop is a go again this year. Gift of time is on 12/17/19 and 12/18/19 where volunteers wrap teachers gifts. Cookie exchange is also a go again.
 - d. Volunteer opportunity on 11/2/19 at St Vincent de Paul. JDRF will also be another volunteer opportunity for the school.
 - e. Night of Kyrene is 9/28/19 and tickets are \$75, tax deductible, Mathew Anderson will MC and the money goes to Kyrene Foundation.
 - f. Purposity—Stephanie to found out more about this. How we can donate within our own district. This was brought up by a parent and she explained it was kind of like an amazon

wish list. The link was having issues. Niccoli mentioned she could put this information on Facebook page.

Meeting ended at 10:18am.