

April 2024 General Meeting Minutes

4/4/24

Motion to approve-Chelsea Second-Lisa Brian

Attendees - Board: Lauren, Carolyn, Chelsea, Lisa, Kathleen

Teachers: Erin C., Laura F., Traci B., Teresa K.

Members: Mandy H.

Non Members: Sam M.

- Treasurer Update - \$6834.66 currently in account. We have paid for the Carnival Rentals and our yearly insurance. We are expecting to pay for 6th Grade chaperones (\$2000), later this month or early next.
- New Business
 - Vice Principal appreciation week. We have all had positive interactions with Lindsay got her a Target gift card.
 - Librarian Appreciation Day - we got her a Target gift card. (DONE)
 - Fundraising -
 - Chic fil a Norterra - We are on for May 15th 4-8 online, 5:30-7:30 in store. There will be a 'Spot the Cow' game instore for those that come in. Confirmed via email today.
 - Teacher appreciation. Do we have the budget to pick a theme and do some sort of small treat/gesture each day? We have done \$50 cash in the past, but this is open to discussion. Any treats would be 'in addition to' our cash bonus (be it \$50 or some other mount). Teachers had mixed responses. Some would like an everyday treat, others would like to buy their own. We will continue to discuss and decide in May.
- Lisa Jeambey has a funds request. Vote postponed until May meeting
- 6th Grade funds request by Laura and Troy for DJ - \$400 + \$25 tip (Invoice in email) Motion passed for \$425. Troy will submit official funds request
- Gecko Gold store May 7-8. Carolyn and Lara will be at 6th grade camp, so others will need to run the store. We will also need to do a special store for 6th graders the week before. Probably May 2nd or 3rd during RTI. Will confirm with 6th grade team and Admin. Carolyn & Lara will do the bonus store.
- Carnival:
 - lights- Lauren is going to speak with her boss for a contact. We would need 2-4 of the extra large (stadium style) lights, or up to 20 of the small 8-10 ft size. Partyprofessionals.com as an alternative. Sam suggests quick google search, but notes it could be pricey.

- Security - Lauren will also check her contacts for how to 'rent' police officers. We may be able to speak with another school about hiring their resource officer. Again Sam offered some suggestions about this, mentioned \$.
- Vendors (11) - Sam, director of Sam's Stop and Shop farmers market, is joining us today. She has been so helpful with organizing it all and coordinating the vendors for day of. The vendors can begin setup at 4pm. Sam will let the vendors know.
- We added the cash only meals as options to pre order. Those that choose this option will pick up a voucher with tickets at 'will call'.
- Flyers in teacher boxes today. They should go out Friday or Monday.
- Volunteers - we have had some volunteers sign up, but we need to try and get more.
- Do we want to send pre-orders home with students or do a "Will Call" station? Will Call station would be less likely to lose tickets. We will set up a "Will Call" Station at the ticket booth.
- DJ paid? Yes. We have the DJ scheduled for 3 hrs. He will announce the Raffle Basket winners for us at 8 pm.
- We will start collecting the basket materials from teachers next week on April 8th. Some teachers told their students they had until April 22nd. We would prefer to start making them ASAP so that we don't leave too much to the last minute. Can only be at the school these dates: 19, 22, or 25. Or after 3:30. Kathleen has offered to take the baskets home so we can wrap them there.
- Board Positions for next year: Laurens term as President is over. Lara will be leaving us. Any PTO member in good standing can be nominated for any position. Elections will take place in May
 - Any Position recommendations or interest?
 - President : Chelsea?
 - VP : Carolyn
 - Treasurer :Lisa B.
 - Secretary : Open
 - VP of Fundraising : Open
 - VP of Technology : Potentially open
 - VP of Events : Kathleen

Any interested members or members with nominations can email us at desertsagepto@gmail.com