



SYCAMORE RIDGE PTA PTA Executive Board Meeting 12/14/2021

Called to order by: Gregory Reade, PTA President at 6:06 p.m.

Date: Tuesday, December 14th, 2021

Attendance: Gregory Reade (PTA), Megan Scanderbeg (PTA), Lou Lu (PTA), Katya Zamora (PTA), Sandy Tanaka (PTA), Maggie Jin (PTA), Sara Lake (PTA), Jen Brockman and Ms. Moore.

President/Gregory

- Welcome/call to order
- Approve 11/09/2021 GA PTA Meeting minutes
 - Katya motions, Lou seconds, all approve

Treasurer/Lou

- Approval of Treasurer report since last executive board meeting (11/09/21 to 12/14/21)
 - Sandy motions, Katya seconds, all approve
- Approval of checks (Checks #3159 - #3183)
 - Katya motions, Sara seconds, all approve

Committee Reports

- Diesel results
 - We raised \$500! No online sales generated. Seemed successful. We get a gift certificate. Suggested that Diesel can get in touch with Ms. Goode so she can pick out what she wants for the library. Diesel was very accommodating. Might be nice to do something again before summertime.
- Family Game Night
 - Not many costs last year because it was all virtual. Spent about \$750. Is it okay to spend the same amount this year? What is happening with the chairs? We thought everyone was asked to bring camping chairs. We have 300 bingo cards. Thinking 6:15 – 7:30pm. Should we send an evite again? Friday January 21st. Is it ok to have different snacks? Yes.
- Stallion Sprinters
 - When we come back from winter break, we can accept volunteer in the morning hours and mixing of cohorts in the morning. It will

take logistical pieces to adjust staffing. Maybe towards the end of January. Wait for Ms. Moore to contact the staff to let them know.

- Drama Club

- Jen Brockman & Katya leading Drama club. April 29 & 30. Might be during Smarter Balance testing window. Could also consider the weekend prior to that. Rehearsing MW afternoons. Alice in Wonderland/through the looking glass (not Disney version) or Seussical.
- We would hire a company to do it. Maybe Lex could do it or JoJo productions. Scott Tanaka said he would do the lights again, so it is really a matter of putting this together.
- We should make sure we reach out to Ms. Strakalakis.
- Sara is ready to help support the backend via website, ticket sales, etc.
- What are the Covid requirements that must be met? COVID for the theater: everyone in audience needs to be vaccinated and masked. All kids have requirements as well. Wonder about requirement for vaccination for kids. Just parents and adults would have to be vaccinated.
- Need to be up front about this when kids audition. Katya will follow up with us on these precautions.
- Would like to be able to say we have a show and kids can practice over holidays.
- Targeting same budget as Shrek. About \$12k. We just about broke even. It was all total just under \$20k. We brought in \$22.5k. \$200 per performer. Can also offer scholarships.
- Would need additional volunteer efforts to make this all work. Middle school kids might like to help monitor kids during practice.
- What are requirements for volunteers now? Hoping to have more volunteers next year. Need to show vaccine status. Need statement from vendor certifying vaccination status. Are these volunteers background checked? Need at least two adults per group.
- Waiting to hear from vendors. Hoping Lex will work out.
- We are committed to putting on a Drama production in the spring with a budget of \$20k. Want to have one weekend with several productions (possibly April 29 & 30). Charging \$250/child for Drama club. It will be two days a week for practice. Possibly MW or WF and we have to wait until we have secured a company.
- What is the worse case scenario that we cannot cover? Can we cover \$10k? Major fees come from parent fees for each child who becomes part of the play. What happens if we only get 12 kids? We would have to cancel at that point. We would need to evaluate at that point. Might be out \$1-2K if we don't enough involvement.

- Motion: \$20k for Drama club with expectation that we hope to pull in about the same amount. We intend to hold one weekend of Drama club productions (possibly April 29 & 30).
 - Gregory motions. Katya seconds. All in favor.
- Just make sure that expectations are clear. That helps parents decide what they will do with their children.

Principal Chelsea Moore

Thanks for the BMX bike assembly.

Up Standards showing in the evening tomorrow and Thursday morning. It is about students learning to navigate the virtual space to make connections.

Ms. Moore will highlight some ways to help students. Documentary showing that technology is a tool and not always bad or good. Need to help students, teachers and parents learn how best to navigate the digital world. Will be able to meet school counselor. Documentary is 55 minutes with 20 minute or so debrief.

Checking to see if we can do in-person PTA general meeting in January.

January 20th STEAM+ invitational at OceanAir. Trying to get feedback from parents.

STEAM night in spring where children are also allowed. March or April.

Holiday gift to STEAM+ teachers: how can we do this? Can we offer lunch for STEAM+ teachers next M or T?

- Motion to provide lunch and small gift to STEAM+ plus on behalf of Sycamore ridge: Sandy. Second by Sara. Approved by all.

Meeting closed at 7:19pm.

Megan Scanderbeg

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