

SYCAMORE RIDGE PTA PTA General Association Meeting 6/01/2022

<u>Called to order by:</u> Gregory Reade, PTA President at 6:07 p.m. Date: Wednesday, June 1st, 2022

<u>Attendance:</u> Gregory Reade (PTA), Megan Scanderbeg (PTA), Sandy Tanaka (PTA), Sara Lake (PTA), Maggie Jin, (PTA), Katya Zamora (PTA), Kathy O'Neill, Kuan-Bei, Priya Merrill.

President/Gregory

- Welcome/call to order
- Approve 5/12/2022 PTA Meeting minutes
 - Motion to approve: Katya, Second: Sandy, all approve

Treasurer/Lou (Gregory)

Approval of Checks #3236-#3254
Motion to approve: Katya, Second: Sara, all approve

Committee Reports

• Carnival – Sara/Sandy

Really fun day. Biggest problem was the long lines. Good learning experience. Have more activities, electronic waivers. We made \$18k, which is a little lower than usual (\$20k). We didn't go after the business sponsorships and we could try more for that in the future. Looking for someone who is happy to go for this in the future. Ticket sales were up. Didn't ask for family sponsorship this year. Silent Auction was a bit bumpy, but overall it went well. Parking spots went for less than before. Baskets went very well. DJ was announcing items. Katya just reminds us that this is a fundraiser. Perhaps the DJ/emcee could have stressed this more. The bidding system does allow for texting. Sara mentioned that she didn't get a notification when she got outbid. Amplification for an emcee calling out when you were outbid. Sandy said she chose this platform partly because it was not very expensive.

• July / August PTA Meetings

Sara is asking about setting the new meeting time for next year. Second Tuesday of the month. Maybe making it in the morning would be nice for Ms. Moore. Ms. Moore would like some in-person meetings.

Would like to launch school giving campaign right away when school starts. That would mean we need to make decisions about giving levels and prizes in July. Don't need to have all decisions made on swag, but need general idea of each level. Would like to have a general PTA meeting in late July or very early August.

Need to find parents to help with Drama Club ASAP. It would be great to have it in the fall, but need to secure the parent to coordinate. We can try to ask parents from Drama last year. Lex is in favor of fall, but they are free until we actually commit and hire them. Katya suggests finding a group to help with the Drama Club. Maybe consider a company that can help more with things like the costumes, it would be helpful. Feel like we need to broadcast the message that we are looking for parents to help. Katya also suggests reaching out to other schools/PTAs to find out what they are doing and try to work together on this. Ms. Drakalockus could also help – she's a drama major and might be able to help. First step is to ask to for parent volunteers. Sandy and Sara will ask for volunteers.

Who is taking over the room parent volunteer coordination? Lynn has said she wants to help, but probably needs another person.

• Garden renovation: Sandy / Gregory

Garden identified as a way to spend our PTA gift money. We need a teacher who wants to use it. Taking two kinders a week. Sandy talked with a group about the garden. It probably does need a rehaul. Could even have a place for kids to just dig. Possibly use the space as something else? Maybe reach out to the community again to find other volunteers. Could consider a garden service as part of the gift. Sara suggests meeting with Ms. Moore again to talk about the PTA's vision and see what she suggests. Could still have a planter box for different teachers to utilize. This is a good focus, but probably hard to accomplish much before the next school year.

• Incoming Board members

Need a spirit wear person and restaurant night person.

• Departing Board members

Gregory thanked all the leaving board members. Sara thanked Gregory also for his service.

(Chelsea is not available to join us.)

Meeting closes at: 7:10pm

Megan Scanderbeg