



**Sanderson PTO Board meeting
2/10/2021**

Location: Zoom

Attendees: Maggie Barlow, Sarah Burton (Teacher Liaison), Becky Chapman, Vince Conzola (by proxy), Amy Darcy, Leisa Glantz, Sarah Glover, Jennifer Iglio, Corrine Krumenacker, Jennifer Pittman, Kimberly Price, Amanda Speer, Elizabeth Sullivan

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at **7:01** pm by President Sarah Glover.

2. Review of minutes from the 1.13.2021 meeting

The minutes of the 1.13.2021 board meeting were approved with no corrections.

3. Officers' Reports

a. President's Report

At the 2/4/2021 general PTO meeting, Sarah presented on the success of the equity team. The PTO will support the team through the PTO social media and newsletter and purchase plaques for them.

All 127 power cords needed were purchased within 48 hours after the need was discussed at the general PTO meeting last week. Sixty cords were purchased from Amazon, while an anonymous donor donated the rest.

A request was received from Ms. Boyette in the Math Dept. for \$1800 for AP exam preparations. The request will be considered once we ensure that it will fit in the budget.

b. Treasurer's Report

Deirdre Baker had to resign from the treasurer position for personal reasons. Maggie Barlow has agreed to take over as treasurer. Jennifer Pittman made a motion to vote Maggie Barlow in as treasurer, which Elizabeth seconded. All were in favor.

Sarah presented the current budget report, a copy of which is on the PTO google drive. \$3,480 is left in the teacher-directed funds line item, \$1000 needs to be spent for community outreach, and \$3000 is in the save our students line item. The SHS Foundation has offered to pay for transportation for students in the summer bridge program and asked us to pay for snacks for the program.

A suggestion was made to put a message in the gift bags that are going out to teachers next week to ask about any needs. Items needed include popup tents for students who are outside waiting in carpool or eating in the courtyard and carpool umbrellas. It was suggested that these items be listed in an Amazon wish list. Sarah agreed but reminded everyone that the PTO budget money does need to be spent.

c. Communications Report (Jennifer & Amy D)

A suggestion was made that Facebook/Instagram posts should also be in Spanish.

The communications committee met yesterday and discussed ideas for getting information from the groups that the PTO is supporting (e.g., theater).

Pictures, especially those taken at school, are needed. Please note that pictures need to be vetted by Ms. Pendergraft.

d. Fundraising Report (Vince)

Nothing to report.

4. Programs Report (Elizabeth)

a. Spartans on a Roll (Jennifer Iglie)

For the Fall 2020 semester, 484 students qualified as Spartans on a Roll and plan to be celebrated March 5. Because the students cannot gather and do the normal ice cream float celebration, a spin and win game is planned, with off-campus students driving through. However, Ms. Pendergraft suggested that better dates are 3/10-3/12 (remote learning day/teacher workday). Jennifer stated that 3/12 is best as committee members have more flexibility on Fridays. CampusWorks will make cookies. The PTO has 75-100 t-shirts and some signs and stickers that can be used as prizes.

b. Hospitality (Susan)

Burnie's doughnuts will be delivered next week.

Gift cards for teachers to go to lunch will be the next planned event.

c. Scholarships (Amy)

This year, there is \$12,000 budgeted for scholarships (\$4,000 normally). Twelve \$1,000 scholarships are planned. Applications will be accepted March 4-26. Applicants will be interviewed via Zoom. Winners will be announced in early May. In addition, the Midtown Raleigh Alliance will fund two \$1,500 scholarships.

5. Unfinished (old) Business

a. Senior Signs

Jennifer Pittman met with the Senior Boosters about graduation, which is still planned for 6/12 at Reynolds Coliseum. The Boosters have nothing yet planned for graduation. Last year, the Boosters bought two banners: one with all of the students' names on it and the other saying "Class of 2020". Alternative plans should be made in case graduation does not happen at the Coliseum. Jennifer asked if the PTO could buy the signs (~\$7-8 each). Sarah stated that a reallocation of funds would need to be voted on for this. Seven business days are needed to produce the signs and parents need time to fill out the forms. Thus, a month is needed to do this, and they need to be distributed in early May.

6. New Business

a. Nominating Committee

Nicole Ajello, the nominating committee chair, needs to know if Board members plan to serve next year. The board was asked to let Sarah know of any needed positions, such as IT troubleshooter, volunteer coordinator, etc.

b. **Headsets/microphones need**

Sarah Burton asked the board to help supply Sanderson students with headsets with microphones attached. ESL students (175 students) need them for ACCESS testing.

c. **Teacher Goody Bags for first day back**

Mandy Howard, a parent, offered to provide goody bags to teachers (hand sanitizer, face masks, chocolate, etc.) when students return to school 2/17, which turned into a larger effort. Amanda Speer asked for donations on Next Door and received mask donations. Thus, help is needed next week to hand out 160 bags at Sanderson.

7. Principal's Report

Dr. Dula could not attend, so Ms. Pendergraft presented. She thanked the PTO for the flowers and power cords. Teachers/staff are getting ready for 2/17 (return to school), asynchronous curriculum fair for 9th graders on 2/25, spring football, prom, and several equity events over the next few months.

54% of students are scheduled to return to campus.

The meeting was adjourned at **8:14** pm.