



Sanderson PTO Board meeting

3/10/2021

Location: Zoom

Attendees: Maggie Barlow, Amy Darcy, Dr. Gretta Dula, Leisa Glantz, Sarah Glover, Jennifer Iglio, Katherine Pendergraft, Jennifer Pittman, Kimberly Price

1. Call to Order

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

2. Review of minutes from the 2.10.2021 meeting

The minutes of the 2.10.2021 board meeting were approved with no corrections.

3. Officers' Reports

a. President's Report

Sarah asked, if possible, that everyone attend the Equity team's March Madness program on 3/24 at 2 pm.

Ms. Pendergraft has requests for needed items. Before we purchase more items, we plan to finalize our current purchase of AP exam materials that cost \$1400, which will leave \$1000 in the budget. Sarah thinks the SHS foundation has funds set aside specifically for PPE, therefore we need to see what the Foundation is willing to purchase before we buy items. Ms. Pendergraft said that the current PPE supply is adequate. Sarah relayed that the General Assembly passed a bill on COVID-related school funds, especially for the summer program. Thus, funds budgeted for Save Our Students could be used for the summer program (snacks, etc.). Therefore, the PTO would like to investigate other fund sources before spending the remaining \$1000 left for teacher-directed funds. The Amazon wish list is a great resource for help with needed items as people like to know what the money is for. Some needed items are cake pans for students who don't have cake pans at home and storage items for the media center. Calculators are also needed for students during exams.

b. Treasurer's Report (Maggie)

A copy of the past month's budget is on the PTO Google drive. Income was \$982.08. The \$416 in the Other Donations line was from Midtown Scholarships. In February, \$1577.66 was spent. The ending cash balance was \$53,157.81.

c. Communications Report (Jennifer & Amy D)

The committee is meeting on Monday to talk about how to streamline tasks and whether more people are needed. In addition, Amy & Jennifer will meet with Ms. Martinez to discuss Square for the online store.

d. Fundraising Report (Vince)

Vince was not able to attend.

4. Programs Report (Elizabeth)

a. Spartans on a Roll (Jennifer I.)

The recent celebration went well. A total of 491 students were invited, and 162 came. The grand prizes were 10 \$50 gift certificates. Although fewer attended compared to previous years, the turnout was good considering current circumstances and that most kids were home and had to drive through. The feedback was that the kids enjoyed it. Leftover prizes will be used for future events. Normally, only 2 celebrations are held throughout the year with students honored quarterly on a bulletin board.

b. Hospitality (Susan)

The take-a-teacher to lunch fundraiser was started. Teachers will receive \$15 gift cards to different restaurants. As of today, over \$500 has already been raised.

c. Scholarships (Amy/Spencer)

Scholarship Applications opened last Friday and will be accepted until the Friday before spring break. Twelve \$1,000 scholarships plus midtown scholarships are available. Information was sent to all seniors today.

d. Presidential Service Volunteer Awards (Julie)

The forms, which are on the PTO website, are due at the end of April.

5. Unfinished (old) Business

a. Senior Signs

So far, 35 have been ordered. The sale goes through the end of March.

b. Spirit wear

Decisions on spirit wear have not yet been made. Most people want traditional Sanderson athleticwear, which is sold by the Sanderson Boosters Club. We need to meet with them and discuss whether we might sell it for them.

6. New Business

a. New organization chart

We need to provide information on how the PTO is aligned and open PTO positions (description, amount of work involved, etc.) on the website. VP of Fundraising is the only open board position for next year as the rest of the board has agreed to stay on.

b. PTSA Budget

We need a PTSA budget. Whether the PTSA organization should be kept was discussed. The only reason we had to have a PTSA group is thought to be related to wanting to appease the Wake County PTA. Therefore, whether the PTSA should be dissolved needs to be investigated.

c. Dinner for Seniors

A dinner is usually held at the end of the year. Last year, the dinner was not held, and Seniors only received a trinket.

7. Principal's Report

Dr. Dula is back from her leave. She reported that there are currently 160-170 students per cohort, but the numbers change every day.

She thanked the PTO for supporting the students through Spartans on a Roll, teacher luncheons, cake pans, etc.

She asked everyone to weigh in on thoughts on graduation. Ms. Pendergraft reported that Wake County decided that all graduation ceremonies will be held locally at the school. Graduates and families have to be 6 feet apart, which limits the number of guests that graduates can bring as there are 360 Seniors (360 x 5-6 guests = 1800-2160 people). Multiple graduation ceremonies will be needed. The stadium can hold 386 guests, but weather is a factor. The gym holds 200-250. Stage/chairs need to be rented but there is no budget for these items.

The Senior Council met with Ms. Pendergraft about prom. A drive-through prom is planned for May 1. A senior slide show is being put together for students to watch during their prom "shift".

The meeting was adjourned at **7:56** pm.