

Sierra PTA General Meeting
Mon Sept 28, 2020
Conducted and recorded via Google Meet
Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to Order: 6:37pm.

The total number of attendees was 34. The complete list of attendees was not recorded.¹

1. **Welcome to PTA-** Dawn Schippe called the meeting to order
 - a. **Google Meet meeting etiquette**
 - i. Secretary Schippe began the meeting by going through Google Meet etiquette.
 - ii. Secretary Schippe asked if there was anyone attending who objected to the meeting being recorded. No objections were raised.
 - iii. Secretary Schippe noted that voting may be conducted through the chat feature.
 - b. **Approve minutes Feb 6, 2020-** <https://www.sierraptaarvada.org/documents>
 - i. Secretary Schippe noted that the draft meeting minutes from our last meeting were sent out with the meeting notice, and are available on the Sierra PTA's website. A link to the draft meeting minutes was provided in the chat.
 - ii. Sheryl Doll moved to approve the draft meeting minutes, the motion was seconded. The motion carried by unanimous consent.
 - c. **How we support students, staff, administration, and community**
 - i. Secretary Schippe provided an overview of activities that Sierra PTA supports in the community and the school including funding activities outside of the school day.
 - ii. **Adjustments in light of COVID**
 1. Secretary Schippe noted that there will be adjustment this year in light of COVID. Some events have already been cancelled because visitors are not allowed in the building. Some events have been postponed until spring. Holidays parties will have to adjust.
 - iii. **Facebook Page, website**
 1. Secretary Schippe encouraged communication through the facebook page. The PTA will provide notifications through that page and through the PTA website.
2. **Sierra Updates-**

¹ Attendees noted included: Dawn Schippe, Troy Brickley, Tennille Foerster, Mary Zimbleman, Bonnie Berry, Carrie Persichitte, Sheryl Doll, Heather Flannery, Christy Yacano, Dawn Finley, LeAnn Garcia, Amanda Sigala, Andrea Faust, Andy Nizzotti, Bill Gaetner, Bonnie Berry, Cassidy Gaetner, Colleen Fancis Knight, Rob Halsted, Jenny Logan, Maggie Colosimo

- a. Principal Troy Brickley offered a thank you to staff, students, parents, office crew, Vice Principal Forester, and Ms. Yacano. He provided an update on recent school activities and changes.
- b. Principal Brickley then took questions from attendees.

3. Voting

- a. Secretary Schippe noted that voting for officers usually occurs in the spring, but since there was no meeting in March we are looking to elect officers at this meeting. As a reminder only PTA members can vote.
- b. The slate of people running for office includes:
 - i. President- Dawn Schippe
 - ii. Treasurer- Jeff Foss
 - 1. Bonnie Berry volunteered to assist Jeff Foss.
 - iii. VP- Committees- Carrie Persichitte
 - iv. VP- Membership- Sheryl Doll
 - v. VP- Community Events- Mary Zimbleman
 - vi. Secretary- Heather Flannery
- c. Secretary Schippe called for any other interested members. No other members expressed interest.
- d. LeAnn Garcia moved to accept the full slate. The motion was seconded The slate of officers was elected by unanimous consent.

4. Finances

- a. **Budget-**
 - i. Secretary Schippe noted that the budget has been posted to the PTA website. [PTA Documents | sierra-pta](#)
- b. **Sources of income**
 - i. Secretary Schippe went over sources of income for the Sierra PTA.
- c. **Proposals/Adjustments-**
 - i. Secretary Schippe noted the events that were not able to happen because they were not COVID compliant.
 - ii. Secretary Schippe proposed paying \$1000 out of the the all school budget to fund mystery science
 - iii. Secretary Schippe also noted that there is a Sierra budget for tech needs. This change this was made during an executive board budget meeting after the last general meeting last year. Secretary Schippe proposed having \$2,500 for tech. This includes \$1,500 plus remaining all school EXCEL budget.
- d. Secretary Schippe noted that the budget needs to be posted for 30 days before the Sierra PTA members can vote. The vote will occur after October 23, and it will be done by Google Form, asking you to approve or not approve.
- e. Secretary Schippe then answered questions on the posted budget
 - i. Following discussion, Secretary Schippe proposed \$150 for Reflections.

- ii. Secretary Schippe noted that the budget decisions from the February general meeting were only if there was excess money after the spring fundraiser, and there was no spring fundraiser.
- iii. Secretary Schippe also noted that anyone is free to reach out with questions before the vote, or to ask through the facebook page.

f. **Budget voting will be conducted by Google Form around Oct 23rd**

5. **Membership**

- a. Sheryl Doll provided the link to sign up to Become a member: <http://mp.gg/6l7gp>
- b. Sheryl Doll also provided the current membership count: 50 members.
- c. Sheryl Doll provided an update on the directory for the year, which will be compiled through a Google Form.
- d. Attendees provided comments on the directory plans.

6. **Committees**

- a. Carrie Persichitte went through the current committee chair volunteers:
 - i. Advocacy - Heather Flannery
 - ii. Conference dinners - Marcie Decker
 - iii. Crossing guard – Nancy Hardy and Becca Rehme
 - iv. Silent Auction fundraiser – Mary will organize fun event
 - v. Sun Safety - Dawn Schippe
 - vi. Yearbook – Jenny Logan
 - vii. Website manager – Kritsen Hinkle
 - viii. Sierra cares – Brooke Toothman and Shelly Peterson
 - ix. Box tops – Jenny Logan – mostly virtual
- b. Carrie Persichitte noted the following committees are still looking for a volunteer:
 - i. Room parent coordinator
 - ii. GT parent ambassador
 - iii. Kindergarten graduation & 5th grade continuation
 - iv. Staff appreciation brunch
 - v. Milk caps for moola
- c. Carrie Persichitte added that if attendees have other ideas, please reach out her and let her know how she can help.

7. **Community Events**

- a. Mary Zimbleman provided an update on upcoming community events
 - i. Restaurant nights
 - 1. Noodles and Company at 80th & Wads- Wednesday, Oct 28 4-8pm
 - 2. Bliss Frozen Yogurt- Saturday Oct 31 & Sunday Nov 1
 - 3. Chipotle will be on Nov 17
 - ii. Sierra Strides- a virtual 5k fundraiser over Halloween weekend.

8. **YMCA**

- a. Lennon Thompson from the YMCA could not be at the meeting, so Secretary Schippe provided an update on YMCA before/after school child care. Lennon can be reached at lthompson@denverymca.org

- b. YMCA is still doing food distributions at Duncan YMCA at 6350 Eldridge on Tuesdays at 2-4pm

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:50pm.