

**Sierra PTA General Meeting**  
**April 19, 2021 @6:30pm**  
**Via Google Meet**  
**Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President Schippe at 6:33pm

1. Call to Order
  - a. President Schippe announced that the meeting would be recorded, there were no objections. She asked that all attendees put their name in the chat.
  - b. A quorum was announced via chat by Secretary Flannery
  - c. President Schippe noted that the meeting minutes from the February meeting had been posted on the Sierra PTA website. VP Membership Doll moved to approve, and VP Committees Persichitte seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.
2. Sierra Updates
  - a. President Brickley provided an update to the membership including upcoming CMAS testing, dressing kids for the weather, current class quarantines, and COVID cases in Jeffco middle and high schools. He asked that families take quarantines seriously. They are looking forward to some type of 5th grade continuation and Kindergarten graduation. They are also planning a field day. He asked that parents provide feedback for teachers to create class lists for next year. He took questions from the membership
    - i. He confirmed that teachers do not need to quarantine if they are fully vaccinated. He sends notification of a COVID case when required by the district.
  - b. Christy Yacano also provided an update. She thanked everyone for donating to the library book drive. She discussed the current funding for technology and devices for students. 5th grade and beyond, there is a tech fee combined with 5A funds to cover a device for each student. Sierra is using some fee money, but it is insufficient to cover 1:1 devices for the K-4 students. She requested that parents speak to the Jeffco Board of Education about the inequity of elementary schools covering these device costs.
  - c. Principal Brickley also announced that Brian Reming has been hired as the new art teacher. He also discussed potentially using ESSER (Elementary & Secondary School Emergency Relief) funds that must be used for academic loss for reading interventionists, although district wide discussions are still ongoing.
3. Treasurer's Report
  - a. President Schippe shared the current budget/expenses with the membership. She discussed current income amounts and upcoming expenses including the staff appreciation brunch and Mystery Science for next year.
  - b. She presented several items for the membership to consider:
    - i. A teacher grant was submitted by grades K-2, requesting \$400 for math kit fact fluency. Sylvia Guerrero presented on the grant request.

1. The membership approved via google poll.
  - ii. President Schippe also proposed moving Race to Read funds to purchase Mystery Science for next year, as the price has gone up; these additional funds are necessary to fully fund for next year.
    1. The membership approved via google poll.
  - iii. President Schippe requested that the surplus funds from this year be rolled to the next year, to have a fully funded PTA for the next year.
    1. There was a question about whether the budget for next year would be presented to the membership for approval before the end of this year. There was a discussion about the benefits of approving this year, including ability to spend money as soon as the next school year begins, and the benefits of waiting, including allowing the new Board to weigh in on the budget. President Schippe indicated that the current budget discussions include increasing technology expenses to help Sierra cover chromebooks.
    2. The membership approved via google poll.
4. Committees
  - a. VP Committees Persichitte reminded members about teacher appreciation week, and gave a thank you to G's Tacos in Westminster for donating burritos for the staff brunch.
5. Community Events
  - a. VP Community Events Zimbelman announced upcoming restaurant nights including Bliss April 22 and Chiptole on May 17.
6. Membership
  - a. VP Membership Doll announced that Colorado PTA quit funding Member Planet and have switched to Member Hub. The Sierra PTA board will train and roll out Member Hub next year. She answered questions on using Member Planet over the summer.
7. 2021-22 Board Members
  - a. President Schippe presented the nominations for the PTA Board for next year, from the nominating committee headed by Carrie Davis:
    - i. Co-Presidents- Mary Zimbleman and Sheryl Doll
    - ii. VP Committees- Becca Rehme
    - iii. VP Membership- Mel Kelloff
    - iv. Treasurer- Sarah Crawford
    - v. Secretary- Heather Flannery
    - vi. VP Community Events- Linsey Bunyard
  - b. President Schippe opened nominations from the floor. There were none.
  - c. Carrie Persichitte moved to approve the slate of officers from the nominating committee; Carrie Davis seconded.
  - d. The slate was approved via google poll.
  - e. President Schippe noted that the working budget for next year will be sent out soon for the Board to approve.

8. Mary Zimbleman and Sheryl Doll presented ideas for fundraising for next year including Sierra Sprint and read-a-thon. The group discussed other ideas for fundraising and things that have been done in the past. There was a discussion about in person/remote meetings, recording meetings, and having a social event following the meetings.
9. YMCA update
  - a. President Schippe read an update from Lennon Thompson with YMCA about summer day camp options and before/after care for next year.
10. Sierra Cruisers
  - a. President Schippe presented the flyer for the upcoming Sierra Cruisers event on May 22.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.