

General PTA Meeting Agenda – 11/7/2023

In person: Sierra Elementary Library

Virtual Meeting link: <https://meet.google.com/fis-jraz-sif>

1. Welcome and Comments (5 minutes)
 - a. Sarah, Kelsey, Tennille
 - i. Meeting brought to order at 5:38pm
 - ii. There is NOT a quorum (need at least 10 members) so no voting can happen this time. We will vote on 3 sets of notes next meeting.
2. Secretary Report (5 minutes)
 - a. Approve PTA Meeting Minutes from April 24, 2023
 - b. Approve PTA Meeting minutes from September 14, 2023
 - i. – Skipped, as there's no quorum
3. Treasurer's report (10 minutes)
 - a. Financial update (YTD Report)
 - i. Community events activity below
 - ii. Strides Fundraiser
 1. Net: \$18,042.41
 2. 2022 Net: \$16,612.64
 - b. Teacher Grant **Remaining** Budgets:
 - i. EXCEL: \$5,000
 - ii. Teacher Education: \$600
 - iii. Teacher Grants: \$862
 - iv. Teacher Supply: \$376
 - v. First come, first served, with limits. Funds remaining on March 1, 2024 no longer subject to dollar limits and restrictions. See Grant Request Form: <https://www.sierraptaarvada.org/documents>
4. Membership Report (5 minutes)
 - a. Community Members-81 (79 parent, 2 grandparent)
 - b. Faculty/Staff Members-27
 - c. Community Sponsors bought for teachers-7
 - i. Our staff are 100% paid for by the PTA. In order to give them voting power and access to meetings, their memberships are funded by the PTA. Community members can elect to sponsor a staff member and pay for them, so it doesn't come out of the PTA budget.
5. Committees Report- (10 minutes)
 - a. Fall Conference Dinners went well - Snarfs on Tues and Qdoba on Wed
 - b. Reflections Timeline:
 - i. All submissions Due: Friday 11/10
 - ii. Judging: Wednesday 11/15

- iii. Winners announced: Friday 11/17
 - iv. Celebration: Friday 12/1
 - v. Last year's submissions were only 8, so we're hoping for more this year. Amy Ward-Bailey (chair) is aware of around 15, so we'll see how many submit this year.
 - c. There has been some interest in a Spanish club, the PTA is aware of that and looking to make that happen.
 - i. Discussion: Is this better fit for an outside group or a parent volunteer to make happen?
- 6. Community Events Report- (5 minutes)
 - a. Revenue reports
 - i. Skate City \$570.50
 - ii. Chipotle \$556.02
 - b. Strides Update
 - i. \$18,042.41
 - c. upcoming Events
 - i. Sierra's Spring Fundraiser, the Read-a-Thon, will begin after Spring Break
 - ii. Chik Fil'A fundraising event restaurant night next week - check the Sierra Scoop!
- 7. Questions/comments (10 minutes)
 - a. Any information about the e-mails from Jeffco about the issue with student and staff passwords? Answer: It's not a second event, just continual updates. At this time all staff and student passwords have been updated.
 - b. How was attendance at the community event? Answer: We got lots of interest but not a lot of follow-up.
- 8. ADDITIONAL UPDATE! EXTRA EXTRA! Read all about it!
 - a. We've had a parent offer to sponsor buying a mascot for the school for events.
 - b. The idea was presented at our board meeting and passed unanimously.
 - c. We're going to put together all of the events we'd like that mascot to be at, and a coordinator to make sure there's mascots available and volunteers to dress up.
 - d. We're also going to solicit donations from dry cleaners to keep it clean and sanitary.

Meeting adjourned at 5:53pm (Internet connection was also lost for our virtual attendees.)

Upcoming Dates

2/7/2024 - PTA General Meeting

TBD Read-a-thon Spring 2024

4/29/2024 - PTA General Meeting