

Sierra PTA General Meeting Agenda

Feb. 7th, 2023

6:00-7:30 pm

In person at Sierra Elementary School Library

OR

Via Google Meet

Video call link: meet.google.com/gnh-zfze-zxu

- 1) Call to Order: Called to order at 6:08 PM
 - a) Approve minutes from November 2022 meeting: Minutes approved

- 2) Principal's report and questions
 - a) Since our last PTA meeting we were able to confirm a new Principal Tenel Foster.
 - b) Thank you for supporting the science fair.
 - c) Valentines Parties coming up. 2:30-3:30. Info coming from classroom teacher and room parents.
 - d) Sierra will be under construction at the beginning of the school year.
 - i) Enlarging the vestibule.
 - ii) The second door will be pushed back closer to Mr.Ethans door to increase security.
 - iii) All schools on the district are going to this model for safety. It does make it feel a little bit impersonal, but it is for safety.
 - iv) The third part of construction will be for the Preschool accommodations. There will be one full time preschool room and one room that is AM/PM. These classrooms will be in the current Kindergarten wing. In addition there will be a new fenced in pre-k playground built in the field.
 - v) Grade level entry/exit is still being determined.
 - vi) Parking lot adjustments: The front section will be modified to make parking for the preschool families so they can access their classrooms with young kids even in the winter.
 - e) Start and end times for pre-k will be 8:45 am start time - (11:15 half day)
(3:45 full day)

- 3) YMCA update

- a) Isabel Villano for basic questions or program support:
IVillano@denverymca.org
- b) JonWhite will be taking over for Lennon. Contact:
jonwhite@denverymca.org
- c) We are hiring for all positions. Apply online at DenverYMCA.org

4) PTA Updates

a) Treasurer

- i) YTD Report: We haven't spent a lot so far but that is typical. Most of the expenses trickle in towards the end of the year.
- ii) Budget Committee Meeting to discuss the 2023-2024 PTA budget is scheduled for March 15th. It is open to all current PTA members,
- iii) School Gift Submissions are due April 17th
- iv) Last year's school gift was 21,000 for the school curriculum. And 9,000 was earmarked for the school track.
- v) -Amazon smile is going away. But we are doing well with King Soopers.

b) Membership

- i) Membership Update:
- ii) -Spring Fundraiser: March 31st-April 21st
- iii) Read-a-thon: This year's theme sharing the same stars. Galaxy theme. Everyone has different stories to tell.
- iv) March 31st - April 21st. Prize levels will be increased and big prize packages will be split K-2 and 3-5.
- v) Last year we had the Great Wolf Lodge. This year we will have that and/or a similar prize again. Still brainstorming fun things for rewards.
- vi) The Fisc Planetarium will be brought in for a prize. We're still working on drumming up excitement and encouraging kids to read.
- vii) Important to note K-2 minutes and Mr.Ethns class can count minutes that are read to them. Audiobooks, parents reading to them, epic, teacher reading to them, etc.
- viii) Are we still using the same website as last year to track the minutes? Yes.
- ix) Kick-off event: Will be broken up: (K,4) (2,3) (1,5)

- x) We are aiming for \$20,000 raised this year because that will help us cover next year's budget. If we hit that we will have a party for everyone in the school whether they participated or not.
- c) Community Events: Lindsey can not attend so President Zimbleman read the updates.
 - i) Marco's Pizza Fundraiser 2/22
 - ii) Skate City Fundraiser 3/14
 - iii) Campbell Elementary Bagels
 - iv) Lumberg joining the Kindergarten for the HawkQuest presentation
- d) Committees
 - i) Arts Night
 - (1) Date: Thursday, May 4, 2023, 5-8pm
 - (2) Planning underway—food trucks, activities, performances
 - ii) Reflections
 - (1) Joslyn Fahrenholtz and Jaelyn Fahrenholtz won at County and will advance to state in film production
 - (2) All participants recognized with donuts and prizes at November party
- 5) Next Year Board:
 - a) Nominating Committee- We need volunteers for next year's Board. If you are interested in the PTA it is fun. The nominating committee recruits for the position and if there is more than one person interested in the same position then they help decide who is nominated. If you are interested in being a part of the nominating committee or if you want to be a part of the board then reach out to the board.
 - b) Volunteer appreciation event April 27th for anyone who volunteered in any capacity. The PTA covered food and they bought their own drinks. If you were a room Parent, Friday Folders, Crossing Guards, any one who volunteered.
 - c) All positions need to be filled
- 6) Questions: No questions. Jodi Miller, "Thank you for support of the science fair, and all the support for the classrooms. The impact is already being seen in the classroom.
- 7) FBI Presentation: