**Sierra PTA General Meeting**

**Monday, February 8 2021**

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**Meeting Minutes**

1. Call to Order
	1. The meeting was held via Google Meets and was called to order by President Schippe at 6:34pm. She announced that the meeting would be recorded and requested attendees put their name in the chat.
	2. A quorum of PTA members were in attendance.
	3. VP Committees Persichitte moved to approve the minutes from the November General Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Sierra Updates
	1. Principal Troy Brickley provided an update to the membership.
		1. Principal Brickley discussed the importance of quarantining, teacher vaccinations, and the number of students transitioning from remote to in person learning at the third trimester.
		2. Science Fair will occur this year, but without judges. There will be no Arts Night because of the restrictions on visitors. Area PE teachers are still discussing hosting field day towards the end of the school year.
		3. MAP testing will happen toward the end of the school year, CMAS testing is still unknown but we are planning as if this testing will occur. CMAS may overlap with MAP, which would require MAP testing days to bump back a week.
3. Treasurer’s Report
	1. Treasurer Foss provided an update on the actual spending from the 2020-2021 PTA budget, sharing the current actual report at the meeting via screen share. The current balance is approximately $35,000.
	2. President Schippe noted that there are still $100 teacher supply grants available, and requested that teachers send in receipts if they have purchased anything. After a question, Principal Brickley and Treasurer Foss confirmed that these grants are available for all Sierra staff.
	3. President Schippe updated that the tax exempt status submission is in progress and should be completed this week.
	4. President Schippe announced that there will be a budget review meeting with the PTA Executive Board on Thursday, March 11 @ 2pm via Google Meet. Anyone interested in attending please email president@sierraptaarvada.org.
	5. President Schippe presented a request for funding for Ozobot “Classroom Connector.” The PTA purchased this a few years ago, and this request is a $200 option to push new lessons and additional non-manual programming. She proposed moving money within the current budget to cover the cost, taking $100 from Reflections which was not used, and $350 from copy charges we have not used and do not foresee using. Treasurer Foss moved to approve the funding request, and the motion was unanimously approved.
4. Membership
	1. VP Membership Doll updated that the student directory was sent out via email from the school and is also on the PTA Facebook page. She also announced that next year she will make the option to participate more well-known, but is happy that this is accessible to the whole Sierra community.
5. Committees -
	1. VP Committees Persichitte provided an update on several upcoming events.
		1. Upcoming Valentine's parties can only have store bought food, individually wrapped.
		2. We are still exploring hosting parent-teacher conference dinner for the teachers this spring, discussing ideas such as takeout.
		3. We are looking for a 5th grade graduation chair; we do not want a 5th grade parent. The program will look different this year, and the teachers may have ideas. Please email if you would like to volunteer.
	2. Julie Belcher provided an update on Reflections. One entry for a video was advanced to the state level for a virtual ceremony.
	3. Jenny Logan provided an update on the yearbook. It will look different than past years. She has received help from Sierra Staff to get pictures. Please submit your orders now. We will not buy extra books this year, so get your order in. She also needs photos from parents for the first day of school and spirit week.
	4. There was also an update on Box Tops for Education. March 1 is the deadline for the next round, so please get those that expire turned in. Remember you can also sign up and scan receipts.
6. Community Events
	1. VP Community Events Zimbelman updated on upcoming restaurant nights: Marcos Pizza will be February 22 at both locations, with a contest for the class that raises the most money, each student will get a free pizza coupon; Buffalo Wild Wings on March 24, which will allow takeout; Bliss sometime in April. If you have other ideas please let us know.
	2. There is a new fundraising program for Sierra PTA through King Soopers. Just go to [**https://www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community-rewards**](https://www.kingsoopers.com/i/community/community-rewards) and link your Sooper Card. The amount goes into a pool, and we will get a portion.
	3. President Schippe provided an update on upcoming community building events
		1. Over the four-day weekend for Presidents Day, we will have ROAR rock painting. There is space around the school markee to place fist sized rocks painted with ROAR themes.
		2. For the spring, there will be an Evening Glow Bike/Scooter Ride. It will be set up like Strides for Sierra. Pick your date over the weekend and get out. Registration through member planet, we will provide glow a necklace, plust tail/head lights. Decorate your bike/scooter and remember to wear light colored clothing. More details to come.
7. 2020-2021 PTA Executive Board
	1. President Schippe requested that voting for executive board positions be postponed until the April general meeting. VP Committees Persichitte moved to postpone, and the motion was unanimously approved.
	2. The current executive Board discussed the responsibilities of each position:
		1. President - set agenda, lead meetings, point of contact.
		2. Treasurer - track expenditures, complete reimbursements, taxes, insurance. No need to be an accountant.
		3. VP Membership - two membership reports each year to Colorado PTA.
			1. Sheryl Doll announced she will run again for the position.
		4. VP Committees - finding volunteers for each position.
			1. Beccca Rehme has been nominated for the position.
		5. VP Community Events - set up restaurant nights, involvement in fundraisers, keeping community involved.
			1. Mary Zimbelman will run again for the position.
		6. Secretary - meeting minutes, determine quorum, bylaw questions.
			1. Heather Flannery will run again for the position.
	3. President Schippe announced that we are seeking volunteers for the Nominating Committee. They need to seek and compile a list of nominees for the membership a month prior to the April meeting. Bonnie Berry, Leann Garcia (through President Schippe), Carrie Persichitte, and Carrie Davis volunteered.
8. Additional items
	1. Christy Yacano announced that Jeffco PTA is seeking donations for Grub Club, a biweekly program for homeless and emancipated youth. Ralston Valley area is collecting shredded chicken or monetary donations.
9. Dismissal
	1. President Schippe adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm.

Attendee List:

Sheryl Doll

Heather Flannery

Carrie Davis

Julia Blechar

Tennille Foerster

Carrie Persichitte

Maggie Colosimo

Christy Yacano

Stephanie Bunting

Lori Bass

Mary Zimbelman

Kristen Hinkle

Mallory Loew

Amy Phelps

Amanda Sigala

Lindsey Fabrizio

Jeff foss

Abby Lopez

Dawn Findley

Lyndsee Saulino

Troy Brickley

Jenny Logan

Melissa Gurley

Dawn Schippe

Melanie Kelloff

Bonnie Berry