



September 7, 2021 – 1st Meeting

Meeting Minutes

- Introductions + Thank you's
 - o Debbie introduces herself and Danielle
- Board Nominations + Voting – President, Vice President x 2, Secretary, Treasurer
 - o President overseas everything
 - **Elba Barr** – daughter in 7th grade, project manager and event manager, willing to do 2 years – **elected by consensus**
 - o VP will support and take over for President if needed
 - Melissa Mendoza – has lots of PTA experience at Pine Creek and Explorer, being a voice for children, experience in event planning
 - **Amity Lynch** – VP but will do President been on PTA as a member and have helped for 7 years across 3 pta's, first year at challenger, project management, military background, wants to work with Mountain View - **elected by consensus put to a vote- counted by Danielle Warren and Jamie Kulp**
 - **Traci Borlin** – PTA at various schools, volunteer coordinators and lots of school events, former teacher, 6th and 8th grader, been on challenger PTA before and volunteered here before, summer events volunteer – **elected by consensus put to a vote counted by Danielle Warren and Jamie Kulp**
 - o Secretary takes meeting minutes during the meetings (board and PTA), membership dues collection and make sure it gets paid to CO PTA, hold copy of bylaws and membership lists
 - **Kimberly Fegley** – helped at multiple PTA's, 6 kids, family meetings **elected by consensus**
 - o Treasurer – pay dues, opens account, runs reports
 - **Cynthia Wright** – **elected by consensus**
- PTA Dues - \$7 per person, \$13 per household (cash or check)
 - o Paid
 - Carrie Martinez and Wayne Martinez– cash
 - Lorraine Kizizike - check
 - Elba Barr (online)
 - Kristal and Scott Kupferman – cash
 - Jen McDowell – cash
 - Emily Heleniak – cash

- Requires 4 meetings a year, but can have one monthly – Parents set up meeting times + let Danielle know so she can put in Cheetah Chat
- By-laws will need re-created ASAP
- Account funds - \$5158
- Previous PTA events
 - o Provided during conferences either catered or potluck lunch on Thursday
 - o Christmas – some type of gift or breakfast for staff
 - o Spring – staff appreciation lunch/ gifts
 - o Runs fundraisers – magazine drive in fall
 - o February – after school carnival on a Fri 3pm -5pm– cake walk, games, dancing, dodgeball, pizza
 - o Teacher grants

Middle School PTA

- What does the PTA do? Raise funds for the school that we cannot provide with our budget.
- What are the expectations? Debbie wants the teachers to be appreciated. ParentvTeachers Conferences. Teachers feel like they are appreciated and noticed by parents. Staff feels appreciated and supported and support our kids. Students who want to put in a gaga pit. Picnic tables for when kids want to eat outside. Make challenger a better place to be at. Have FUN events this year, for what was taken away from kids last year.
- Debbie will have administration be a liaison for the PTA.
- This is not the standard time, you can meet whenever
- Only 5 in the county, grants from businesses should be easier
- The only thing on the calendar is today and parent teacher conferences. Starting from scratch
- Do we put on dances? No, dances didn't get good turn out, so started Feb- fest which was a carnival/ dodgeball tournament
- Mindy Parker – would help with the event (feb fest)
- Is the PTA working separate from admin? Yes. Yearly audit and cannot have a school account to be on the board. Separate 501c3
- Should work with Feeder schools
- Advocacy is really important for the PTA
- Virtual meeting is an option
- Can't serve more than 2 terms in your current position and can be on multiple boards but not district or state
- **Next meeting will be October 5th at 6:00pm in the Disco**
- Look at the things you want to run or be a part of. If you have a vision that you want to implement, please be vocal.
- COSILOVEYOU – 30 available slots, 8 have been filled, need volunteers. Painting and landscaping, level the pit for GAGA, beautification of the outside property, OR write thank you letter to teachers. Saturday October 2
- 2 challenger pages, 2 PTA pages and a parent page – facebook – needs transferred
- Communication is huge

- Everyone is okay with the PTA having their emails and gives Danielle permission to give Elba and the board their emails.
- October PTA homework – think about parent teacher conference