

## Pleasant Ridge PTA Meeting Minutes

January, 18th 2023 | 6:30 PM

Attendance: Laura Dondzilla, Jeremie Tharpe, Amy James, Megan Kautio, Megan Dischinger, Oke Kearu Nicole Daley, Laura Salitros, Kayla Works

I. **Welcome** - The meeting was brought to order by President, Amy James at 7pm. She encouraged everyone in attendance to write thank you notes (provided) to staff which will be submitted to the Start Award drawing coming up.

II. **Secretary's Report** - The minutes for the November 15<sup>th</sup> general PTA meeting will be approved at the next PTA Meeting.

### III. Committee Updates

#### A. Treasurer's Report

- a. We are halfway to our trivia night goal!
- b. There are still quite a few teachers we are hoping turn in their teacher allocation reimbursements.
- c. Mrs. Dondzilla has ideas in the works for assemblies this spring.

#### B. Outdoor Classroom:

- a. working on booking a meeting with school staff and committee members, hopefully next week.

#### C. Staff Appreciation:

- a. We've done cookies and snacks for staff last semester; they were well received by staff.
- b. Sara Bedwell has meals for conferences already planned and coordinated with Mrs. Dondzilla.
- c. A few more will be planned this spring, the budget for teacher appreciation week are being used to spread over the year.

#### D. Restaurant Nights:

- a. Amy asked about restaurant nights, we are planning on at least one more Chipotle night

#### E. Trivia Night:

- a. The event is sold out.
- b. Anyone can participate in silent auction; they don't have to be in person.
- c. We will start doing spotlights to promote some auction items.

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- d. Still need more gift cards and wine donated.
- e. Also looking for some hay bales.

### F. Skate Party:

- a. January 24th
- b. March 30th

### G. Bingo, Bowling, Dance, Fun Run:

- a. Bingo Night Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30. Laura Salitros is making flyer to have printed, at 2 per page to save printing.
- b. Some 5<sup>th</sup> grade groups may be selling popcorn at the event.
- c. Nicole will get prize money to Laura for the event.
  - (a) Bowling – Discussed how to name the event so it's not confusing who the event is for.
  - (b) The whole facility is rented for 2 hours. The cost is going to be \$8 per person for all attendees, payments via Venmo or Check sent to office.
  - (c) Signup Genius will be sent for parents to sign up for treats/drinks.
  - (d) If there are extra lanes available we'll invite staff to bring their families to use if they want.
    - i. Dance- Jessica Dart and Laurinda Watts are organizing.

### A. Principal Updates:

- a. We'll do another parent reading day in February.
- b. In week two of focusing on being a star student. Students are earning stars for showing focused behavior. A winner per grade level is selected to have a reward for their class.
- c. There are still a few open positions at the school: instructional aide, food service worker (applied through food services specific to PR). Classified job fair is coming up for the district, Laura will have a table there to meet/interview people.
- b. There are more new students than usual this January, Mrs. Dondzilla has reminded teachers to let classroom coordinators know.
- c. We are still looking for a parent to be a 'welcome' person to help new families feel included and learn about the PTA. Amy volunteered to put together a welcome email that Elle (school secretary) could send to all new families.

**Motion to adjourn: 7:55pm**

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### **Upcoming Events:**

Tues, January 24 -Skate Night 6:00 to 8:00pm

Fri, February 10 -Trivia Night 6-11pm

Week of February 13th - Parent Teacher Conferences (PTA provides teacher meals)

Tues, February 21- Family Bingo Night 6:30 to 8:00pm

Sunday, March 5 -Guys and their Gals Bowling Event 2:00-4:00pm

Fri, March 24 -Me and My Guy Dance 6:30 to 8:00pm

Thurs, March 30th -Skate Night 6:00 to 8:00pm

Fri, April 7th - Fun Run

Tues, April 18- PTA Meeting 7:00pm

Tues, April 25th - Restaurant Night at Chipotle

May 1-5- Teacher Appreciation Week

Tues, May 9- Farewell Skate party 6:00-8:00

Fri, May 12 - Grade 5 Celebration@ CTMS 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm