

9.11.23

Cascade PTSO Board Meeting

Present/Introductions

Kelsey Boyd – president and teacher

Desiree Kelley – vice president

Trixie Hoda – web and merch

Caitlin Bjornstad – fundraising chair

Rachel Grenier – secretary

Tari Power – treasurer

Gabe Pagano – principal

Call to order 5:30 p.m.

Minutes

Reviewed and approved June minutes

Reviewed and approved August minutes

Principal's update

Cell phone update: pleased with new policy, teaching iPad as a tool, managing screen time during school day, how technology can help not hinder, minimize distractions, no pushback from parents or students, still need a little work on lockers and storing belongings appropriately, good life skills to practice at school

Academics and staffing: 615 kids, staffed right, teachers working on setting up Canvas, welcomed back wonderful staff members, Sterling Roberts is the new choir teacher (sharing with Pacific Crest)

Safety: Doubled down on unsafe/unwelcome places in school - hallways and bathrooms during unstructured time (not in a classroom), set norms, want to acknowledge fears and challenges of younger/newer students, want school to feel safe so they go into classroom ready to learn, continue to promote and use resources like Safe Oregon, which brought Summit threat to light

WEB: kick off went wonderfully

Athletics: lots of participation

Fundraising update

Update on issues with new district policies: direction from school district communications department that we can't use the school logo for non-school-sponsored messaging, it's fallout from the inappropriate use of school logos on social media. PTSO to remove logos from communications pieces now but hold on additional changes (name change, etc.).

Sponsor banners: Tari forwarding potential banner requests (based on the dollar amount donated) to Caitlin. Caitlin is following up on those. Also need to follow up on sponsor banners that did not get up last year.

Sunriver Stay for Schools: Sounds like an easy way to make money for the PTSO. Can we get involved with this or is it too similar to what the Yard wanted to do last year? Kelsey to look at last year's minutes and Mariah's notes.

Sponsor thank yous: Tari to provide list of business names that we can thank on the website; hold off on listing families

Fundraising campaign: Up from last year, approximately \$3,800 so far compared to \$3,000 last year. Letter to families sent out. Caitlin to work on additional follow up letters (wait until after back to school night to distribute. Desiree to order sandwich board. Trixie to send banner to SignPro. Have flyers with QR codes that we can use at back to school night, etc.

Budget

Beginning balance as of July 1: \$23,652

Plus TBD donations; have about \$3,800 to date, goal of \$20k, expect \$15k

We have minimal expenses, so the majority of budget can go to grants

Want to maintain a \$10k cushion

Approved a \$5k initial grant request budget (temporary); will reassess after seeing fundraising total

Grant requests

1. iPads for yearbook request: \$1,495 (This is being tabled temporarily)
2. Mr. G, 3D printers: \$979.98 for two resin printers; Kelsey moved to approve the grant request; Desiree second, unanimous approval

3. Mr. G, Dremel 3d printers: \$1,867.45, on hold as the total request is more than we can approve; Mr. Pagano advised the school may be able to split the cost
4. ASAA Unified Sports t-shirts: \$400, for events starting later this month, Desiree moved to approve, Kelsey seconded, unanimously approved

General meeting schedule

10/16 board (5:30 p.m., counseling office?), general (6 p.m., library). Meeting will be promoted, raffle to incentivize attendance; Kelsey to bring snacks; Rachel and Desiree to work together to send invite and reminders

11/13 board meeting, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

12/4 As needed

1/22 board (5:30 p.m.), general (6 p.m.), library

Back to school night

Kelsey, Desiree and Rachel to (wo)man the table

Kelsey/Gabe to intro PTSO during parent presentation

We'll have flyers with QR codes, merch examples, interest form, photos of things donations went to

Merch/web update

Trixie to research ordering samples to have on hand

Display case looks great; Kelsey to advise when display is taken down so Trixie can decorate PTSO shirt design for volunteers to wear when in the school; design OK'd; Trixie to get cost total and sizing chart

Flower planters

Request for PTSO help to clean up/decorate?

Picture day help

Picture day is 9/22

Looking for three volunteers to assist from 9-2; front load volunteers since it goes quick
Volunteers get free pictures

Desiree and Rachel 11 – 1, Trixie 9 – 11, Kelsey to reach out to list of volunteers to fill rest of slots

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.