



# Madison Heights PTO

## Executive Board Meeting Notes

March 4, 2025

**Meeting called to order by Tristan Gandolfi at 8:00 p.m.**

The following members were present:

*Executive Board members: Tristan Gandolfi (President), Kristi Beaver (Secretary), Tina Jiwatram-Negrón (Co-Treasurer), Tanya Cushner (Co-Treasurer)*

- Minute approval: unanimous.
- Talk about increasing budget.
- Dress down in combination with read-a-thon; maybe dress like your favorite book character in April.
- In May, dress down, dress like your favorite staff and would cover the fees of unpaid lunch balance. Tristan is going to find out how much and then we'll figure out how to go forward.
- Ideas for end-of-year fundraisers. First idea is a read-a-thon; could coincide with the World Book Day during first week of April -dress up and theme day. FlyBye has donated a book tracker and contests between classes. One company has a booster-like read-a-thon.
- We should bring in \$6,000 from the raffle. Do we need another chunk of money? Tina and Kristi say no. Simis makes \$13,000 off their yearbooks every year. They do something called love lines and you can write a message to your child. Between \$5-15 for messages from parents. Tina, Kristi, and Tanya are in favor. Kristi expresses doubt that we could still do it this year. Tristan is going to talk to Jessica.
- Mural is set to begin over break. Discussion of supplies and artists.
- Tristan-launch campaign for March-Heights staff Sham-ROCKS. 15 RSVPs for field day. Christine to do push. Myna and Tristan will assemble baskets for movie night. Those three baskets can be auction baskets and be showcased at meeting in March. Christine and Lauren looking at free platform. Arizona Sporting Events, Arizona Arts and Culture, Arizona Family.
- Families were confused on baskets b/c we did snack cart and baskets at the same time. Coordinators want everything to be assembled Thursday. Michelle says we might need actual baskets to hold the items.
- Tina asks when we are starting to market raffle tickets and movie night.

- Teacher Funding-no new grant requests. Only ¼ of the money has been spent. We approved a request for Mr. Mac; Tina going to follow-up.
- If we can remind teachers again to use the website for funding requests and put it ahead of time. Tristan will try to take one of their TCT meetings and talk about grants and also talk about World Book Week. May 7 is the last day for funding requests. For Spring Break, Tina is going to put up a sign that shows that funding requests will not be reviewed until after Spring Break. Tristan wants to talk to admin about kinder and 4<sup>th</sup> grade graduations.
- Tina to find someone to handle cash for movie night.
- Accounting discussion
- Roles to be filled for next year. VP and Treasurer 1; do it as part of the April meeting prior to the puberty talk. Talk about it in March meeting and vote in April. Luisa wants to do teacher appreciation. Lauren and Rene don't want to do community events. Lauren might do staff appreciation. Pam will come back in staff appreciation.
- Tristan calls a vote to increase budget as follows: 4200 for staff appreciation, 2000 - community events, 3800 – school appreciation (includes mural), 2000 Grant & Supplies; unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned by Tristan Gandolfi at 9:06 p.m.