

# Starside PTA General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 7, 2022

Kim Manson, President, held introductions for all in attendance as well as recognized outgoing Board Member, Laura Anderson (Treasurer) for her time and commitment to the Board during covid.

Kelsey Zabel, Secretary, asked for review and approval of the April General meeting minutes. There was no discussion and they were moved to approval.

Kim asked those in attendance for feedback for the Standing Rules, PTA Objectives as well as the PTA Calendar for this school year. No discussion was held on these items and each was moved and 2nd for approval with no changes.

## **Principals Report**

Principal, Jan Hicks, shared school has started off to a great start! Teachers have shared that it felt like our students had never left and were transitioning well. She shared that holiday parties (Halloween and Valentine's) were going to "back to normal" but that she was working with each grade level on their preferences. Discussion was shared on the order of the Halloween parade and the class parties. Principal Hicks was going to go back to teachers to clarify their preferences and get back to the Room Parent Coordinator on timing. She also shared that Starside's new art teacher, Mrs. Smith, is using a new resource for parents to view student artwork through Artsonia and is looking for a few volunteers to help scan artwork for K-2.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Chelsea Cole, Treasurer was absent from the meeting so Kim shared in her absence the new 22-23 school year budget. She discussed some changes to help the budget become more transparent as well as why our expenses are lower than our revenue currently. The budget was moved to motion and approved and 2nd.

## **Committee Reports**

Caroline Friday, Vice President, shared an overview of each of the committee's including a quick overview of Sprirt Wear (already in motion)

Corporate Donations - around \$6,300 is already raised in corporate donations and were expecting to hear from 3 historical larger donors from the past in the coming days.

Walk a Thon - a small committee is doing the work this year to divide and conquer. A Sign Up Genius will be shared later for volunteers to help day of.

Staff Meal - in the works, a small Sign Up Genius will be coming to help.

Skate Party - October 11 from 6-8 in Shawnee

Room Parents held a meeting following the general meeting to discuss ideas for the Halloween Parties.

### **Other Business**

The PTA Board conducted a staff survey at the end of the 21-22 school year and shared that overall they learned that staff are no big coffee drinkers (creating a change away from the fall barista) as well as that we need to be more inclusive with translations for our Spanish speaking families.

There is a Book Fair sign up coming to volunteer at the book fair.

Discussion was held about potentially including a Student Scholarship that would be managed by staff and PTA for students who need help in certain items that need purchased but means are not available.

### **Upcoming Events**

**WAT packets go home to students (9/23)**

**Staff Conference Lunch (9/28)**

**Skate Party (10/11)**

**Walk a Thon (10/14)**

Room Parent Meeting @7pm

Social Event – held at El Patron