

SHABONEE PTA MEETING MINUTES: September 8, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:32am.

Meeting Attendees: Lynn Howard, Shaka Martin, James Kinzer, Kate Riggs, Dr. John Panozzo, Samantha Diamond, Rivka Daar, Angie Chmielecki, Jill Helfand, Kim Zlatin, April Terrien

SCHOOL REPORT (Dr. John Panozzo)

Thanks to the PTA for the Welcome Back lunch and all of the lunch/recess volunteers. Students are getting back into a routine and doing well with SWIM expectations. Patriot Day coming up, spirit day to wear red/white/blue. STEM kits were purchased with Scholastic Dollars from the book fair. The school is excited to offer these to students to be used during indoor recess.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

President's Report: Shaka Martin and Lynn Howard

Introductions: everyone in attendance introduced themselves

Bylaws: James Kinzer explained the changes. The bylaws have been previously approved and signed by the ILPTA. Kate Riggs made a motion to pass the proposed bylaws. The motion was seconded by Samantha Diamond. Quorum (5 members which includes at least two board members) was present for the vote: 4 board members, 6 members. The vote passed unanimously, 10:0. The bylaws have been passed and will be posted to our website.

Vice President's Report: April Terrien

More 5K volunteers are needed. Race bags to be packed soon.

Treasurer's Report: James Kinzer

The PTA is opening a Chase bank account. A few more steps need to be taken but the process is underway. Taxes from the last fiscal year are being filed soon.

Secretary's Report: Kate Riggs

Nothing at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Birthday Signs Committee (Shaka Martin)

Biggest fundraiser of the year, might need to buy a few new signs, committee could use a few more volunteers as well

Book Fair (Lynn Howard reported for her & Tejal Desai)

Fair scheduled for 10/19-10/21, during parent teacher conferences, can most likely be an in person event due to the staggered nature of conferences, meeting with Scholastic tomorrow to discuss options

Caring Bulldog (Lynn Howard reported for Sydney Topaz & Maya Friedman)

Reaching out soon to the new families

Council 27/5K (Lynn Howard & Rivka Daar reported for District 27 PTA Council)

337 race registrations so far, sign up continues, Race date 9/25, first race begins at 8am, Do Rite Donut fundraiser to coincide with race

Directory (Lynn Howard)

New data year, conversion went well with a few hiccups that have been worked out. Overall, the community is thrilled to have a digital directory that can be updated as needed. 702 users total and 320 log-ins last week.

Display Cases (Lynn Howard reported for Keera Perumbala)

Starting soon, new committee chair

Environmental (Rivka Daar)

Hopeful to restart activities that have been put on hold this past year. Hoping to continue with TerraCycle and composting and maybe a few new initiatives.

Family Night (Lynn Howard reported for Kelly Artioli)

Family Fun Night is this Friday from 5-7pm. The PTA is asking that all attendees wear masks and social distance during the event. Josh's will be there to sell food. Spice City Music is the DJ. PTA blast going out today. There is a volunteer sign up as well, asking parents to volunteer at the dessert table.

Fundraising (Shaka Martin)

10/12 Tasty Tuesday. Working on a few other items.

Hot Lunch (Lynn Howard reported for Emily Taylor)

Hot Lunch meeting tomorrow. More details to follow.

Library Aides (Kim Zlatin)

Parent volunteers are able to go into the library again. Sign up genius was created to schedule volunteers.

Membership (Lynn Howard reported for Marie Samson)

Marie continues to update membership database as new members join. All will be sent to ILPTA.

Room Parent Coordinators (Jill Helfand & April Terrien)

Submissions are due today. Hickory Point and Shabonee have staggered party times so parents can be available for parties at both schools. Parties will be virtual until further notice.

School Supplies (Kate Riggs)

She will be reaching out to the company to make contact. Process usually starts in January.

Spiritwear (Lynn Howard reported for Lisa Buckley & Amy Thomas)

Updates coming soon

5th Grade Party (Kim Zlatin)

Waiting on budget. Planning usually starts in the new year.

Square1 Art (Angie Chmieleski reported for her & Lisa Buckley)

Last year's art was so well done when project was taken home but fewer students participated. Still figuring out how to do it for this upcoming year. Process usually starts in the winter.

Staff Appreciation (Lynn Howard reported for Dara Owen & Mindy Lamberti)

Waiting on budget. Custodian Appreciation coming soon, 10/2.

Yearbook (Lynn Howard reported for Akua Akuffo & Amanda Lerias)

Photos will be taken at Family Fun Night. Yearbooks on sale at a discounted rate for the month of September, no code needed. Committee has a lot of volunteers, which is great.

NEW BUSINESS

None

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:17am. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 6 at 9:30 am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kate Riggs