



Fischer PTA Meeting Minutes – February 21st

Attendees: 11; Started at 7:05p

Welcome – Cyndi

Approval of January 2023; – Motion to approve Dulce, seconded Servando

PTA Council Update - Rashidat

- Dr. Campbell was excited to unveil the new district logo.
- 5 Essentials Survey is important, as it is part of the school ratings. One for each kid, need 20% participation for it to count for the school.
- Focus groups
- Transition Center February 28th 630-730pm – Mid Year Recap, Superintendent review
- Summer School – District will offer enrichment and extended school year and acceleration; registration is not ready yet. Very similar to last summer, mostly at one location.
- REACH – offered Executive Function Speaker Series, was recorded. There will be 2 more sessions. Register to get the next session info.

Nominating Committee – Rashidat

- Interested in joining? Dulce, Kristin Anderson, and Jenn Kovacs are currently on the committee. The task is to find those ready and willing to serve on the board for next year.

President's Update – Rashidat

- Dr. Campbell has been invited to the March 21st meeting. However, this is a conflict for her.
- A Google Doc has been created, please feel free to add to the doc, any questions that you have. We will come up with a meeting date for her to come to Fischer as a townhall date in the future to discuss with parents.
- A lot of confusion on the meetings/focus groups/townhalls/etc. When this is sent, be sure to be extremely clear on what this is separate from all of the other confusion. (Courtney)
- Send questions to Rashidat, so that they can be shared with Dr. Campbell.
- However, please be careful with confidentiality and privacy when sharing examples.

Retirement Committee – Amy Lippert

- Members: Karen Sienko, Courtney Barcus, and Lisa Janco
- Increase the teacher gift budget: \$1000, motion to approve Amy, second Renee.

Treasurer's Report – Amy Lippert

- Current estimated balance is \$16,003.
- Extra Space Storage rental needs to be added for \$300 Amy, 2nd Dulce.
- Receipts needed for audit purposes.

- Committee chairs, you have to spend within the budget that is allocated. If you have to go overbudget, you need to ask for an increase before you spend.
- Submit receipts asap, no longer than a week after the event.

Committee Chair Reports:

Community Engagement – Kristen Anderson

- Renting Fischer Farm, estimate 150 people or more
- \$375 for rental.
- Solicit for food and drinks? Or cater hot dogs and drinks. If not donated, the budgeted amount is \$1500 for total including food.
- Increase community engagement budget to \$1425 to incorporate potential food costs, if donations are not received from parents for food.
- Motion to increase; Courtney, 2nd Dulce.
- Potential date is May 21st

Trivia Night – Amy Lippert

- Tentatively April 21st, 6-8pm.
- Budget: \$700.
- Motion to approve event and budget Courtney, 2nd Amy.

Fundraising – Renee Gagliardo

- **March 2nd is McDonald's Night in Northlake on North Ave and Wolf Rd, this is a Drive Thru event.**
- Chicago Wolves Game on April 16th at 3pm. Tickets are \$20, flyer will be sent soon.
- Eco Lunchboxes, an online fundraiser. Starts in April through September. These are bento type boxes that are eco-friendly.
- Leftover Smencils! We can save these for next year, they are already paid for.
- Field Day Shirts? Yes, see what they have available.
- Spirit Wear Online? First Day company, yes if they can use the branding and style guide that the district has created.

Cultural Night – Megan Riveria/Courtney Barcus

- Friday 630-8pm
- 15 families presenting! Multiple clubs from York to teach different skills and language, Loteria, student playing guitar, dance team – Latinos Unidos.
- Need more money...for a few more things.
- Motion to ask for \$200 Karen, 2nd Dulce.

DPAC – Karen

- Taju focus groups
- Conversational Spanish – February had about 8 families, went well.
- New meeting added in April on 4/6.

REACH – Maribelle

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SERG – Courtney Barcus

- Completed the grant to donate books to all libraries.
- Create a poster of the new books – Dulce and Courtney to work with Mrs. DeYoung.

Principal's Report

- AXIS texting is done.
- 5 Essentials is at 10%, this is due March 15th. We need 20%.
- Cougars Game is 5/16, parents can join us there but need to pay for own ticket. Kids will take the bus there and back. There is no rain date. Tickets are for on the lawn.
- WatchDogs and SuperMoms is once a year, rather than every month. So, this is being revamped a bit.
- May 2-3, Mrs Macias is going. No need for parents to go this year.
- Report Cards are going home March 3rd for
- IAR testing is after Spring Break.
- Anglewicz and McCracken will be working on the yearbook for this year.
- State Board of Ed, Article 14C – Bilingual program, 20 children or more with the same language, dual is not disappearing.

New Business

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Adjournment – 8:20 pm

Motion to dismiss Dulce, 2nd Karen.