

MASON RIDGE MUSTANGS



GENERAL PTO MEETING

Date: September 30, 2021
Time: 7:03PM
Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Attendance:

Sophia Ford-Glanton	President	
Sophia Ford-Glanton	Vice-President	
Christina Merriman	Co-Treasurer	
Haijun Gong	Co-Treasurer Melissa Adams	Former President
Jenn Dieken-Buchek	Principal	

Total Members in attendance: 28

AGENDA:

1)Welcome,Sophia Ford-Glanton, President. The virtual meeting of the Mason Ridge PTO was started at 7:03 p.m. on Thursday, 09/30/21 by Sophia Ford-Glanton.

2)Approve May 2021 PTO Minutes, Christina Merrimack,. Christina Merriman moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Amy Montgomery seconded. The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as provided.

3)Principal & Teacher Updates, Jenn Dieken-Buchek, Principal

- Dr. Dieken Buchek provided a quick intro of herself.
- • Covid Mitigation Measures – no student-to-student transmission
- • Mask Request – Nurse Patty Wos asking the parents to send extra masks in backpacks as she is running out of her supply; a reminder will be sent in the weekly newsletter.
- • Recess – Great news ... allowed to be un-cohorted now
- • Spiritwear – Will be delivered in 2 weeks along with class shirt order
- President Request – Volunteers Needed
- Sophia Ford-Glanton introduced the PTO exec board. Each member gave a brief update on who they are and their children at Mason Ridge. She then introduced the Teacher Representatives who then gave a brief update on themselves.
- Request for volunteers, chairs, and co-chairs was made.

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4) Budget Discussion:

- Sophia Glanton Ford highlighted the changes that were made to the budget. They included:
 - Cut out teacher request and ACES (1st half of year)
 - Increased staff dinners because not enough money to provide a nice meal.
 - Increased staff appreciation because previous chair was using her personal money.
- The final income and expenses were reviewed showing a net loss. Sophia explained that this would be covered by the reserves (\$25,515 available).
- Christina Merriman moved that the budget be approved as presented. Nafeesa Ahmad seconded. The budget was approved as presented with 17 votes in favor.
- The Mighty Mustang Fund exceeded its goal of raising \$15,000, but \$3,000.

5) Financial Update, Amy Montgomery provided a financial update.

6) Financial Requests, Teacher and Staff Financial Funds

- Christina Merriman provided a summary of the funds the PTO provides to the teachers and staff and gave a brief overview of the Financial Review Committee and its members.
- Request for PTO Funding
- Sophia Ford-Glanton and Dr. Dieken Buchek presented the request for funding 6 air purifiers.
- Christina Merriman moved to purchase 6 air purifiers not to exceed \$1250. Nafeesa Ahmad seconded.
- Questions were asked by:
 - Michelle Westerfield regarding current cost and filters
 - o According to Dr. Dieken Buchek:
 - Filters are purchased by the school
 - Janitors clean them when alerted taking appropriate safety precautions
 - Extra benefit has been a reduction in seasonal allergy symptoms
 - Purifiers conduct once/hour air scrubs
 - Have seen a reduction in sick students
 - Amy Montgomery regarding purpose of air purifiers
 - o According to Dr. Dieken Buchek:
 - Initially it was for Covid, but have seen additional benefits
- The funding request was approved as presented with 21 votes in favor.

7) New Business

- Sona Patel discussed Math Facts Scholars – hoping to start again in the spring; need volunteers to conduct the program, and a co-chair as her child will be graduating.
- Lauren Odum discussed Sports Coordinator Volunteers – looking for volunteers to work with each grade level. Purpose is for team building for sports. Flyer is coming

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out. Responsibilities are posted on Membership Toolkit; this is also where you can volunteer.

8) Old Business

Sophia Ford-Glanton reminded attendees to go and update their information on Membership Toolkit.

9)Q&A

Michelle Westerfield would be interested in the Kindergarten Ceremony chair position and requested a co-chair from the other Kindergarten parents. Nicole Xynos indicated she could assist. Miranda Plank and Cathy Jordan also agreed to assist.

Sophia Ford-Glanton asked if Parent Teacher Conferences would be held in-person or virtually. Dr. Dieken Bucheck responded that they would be virtual.

10)Review and approve 2021-2022 PTO Proposed Budget, Sophia Ford-Glanton

- Sophia Ford-Glanton moves to approve the proposed budget. Nafessa Ahmad seconded the motion. Show of hands vote, 10 in favor, 2 abstained (video off) Motion carries and 2021-2022 Proposed Budget is approved

11)Upcoming Events & Updates, Nafeesa Ahmad, President

11) Adjourn, Christina Merriman moved to adjourn the meeting. Greg Wall seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. The next PTO meeting will be communicated in the future.

Minutes submitted by: Christina Merriman

Approved by: