Scarlett Middle School PTSO

Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2025 – 6:30pm, Virtual, on Zoom
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The purpose of this Organization shall be:

1. To promote the intellectual, physical, and emotional health of Scarlett students in the school and community at large.
2. To provide forums and opportunities for communication and cooperation among parents, teachers, school building administration, school district administration and the community at large.
3. To engage in fundraising activities, to generate funds, to offer/provide for diverse and educational enrichment support/programs for students and staff.

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Attendance:
Karen Hulsebus, Jaye Peterson, Sarah Anton, Gerald Vasquez, Kevin Jeffery, Victoria Engling, Celia Williams, Kelly Pfeifer, Jenn Hudgins, Faybia Stephenson-Beckford, Kinda Hunter, Mandy Hall, Mimoza Ramaxhiku, Ryan Quinn, Shannon Considine, Samantha Quinn, Mandy Hall, Sal Barrientes, Nicole Fregene, and Natalie Turner

Welcome and President's Report
Karen Hulsebus calls meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

Introductions of attendees and student names/grades shared at Scarlett

Karen apologized for technical difficulties getting logged on with sound.

Thank you to Celia for Staff breakfast before break, last minute and she pulled together, teachers appreciative

Two restaurant nights have been set up

- Wednesday, January 29, Banditos 20% of all sales, time TBD, flyer needed? How distributed? Dr. Peterson gave context, announced in advisory and note sent home in the past, location may be an issue for Scarlett community, however, we will see how it goes.
- Papa John's reached out, February 24th, will receive a promo code to add online or in person, promo code may be used at multiple locations, 10% off discount + 20% of sales

Friends of AAPS libraries-equity in libraries, increase volunteering, they have a meeting 1/22/25, at Huron, faapsl.org
High school info sessions are upcoming. Huron is 1/28, 6-8 pm with tours and information and breakout groups, sports, clubs, etc.

Upcoming meetings will be in person- weather permitting: 2/10, 3/10, 4/14, 5/12, nominations for officers for next year will begin in March, we have some returning people, people matriculating out, etc., All are eligible to run, slate of nominees presented in April, election in May, Terms are 1 year, can be in a role for 2 years, with the possibility of a 3rd (with a vote)

Kevin motions to approve November minutes; Gerald seconds. All in favor.

Student Council Report-None

Principal Report: Gerald & Dr. P
Welcome back and hopefully everyone had a wonderful break with family

In the process of NWEA testing, NWEA mid year testing this month in Math & Language & Literature classes, fall NWEA reports will be sent via School Messenger tomorrow

MLK festivities are being planned, Schoolwide MLK experience will occur Thursday Jan 23 in the afternoon at Scarlett

Plans for NAAPID being developed, reviewing feedback from last year, adding those additional opportunities for parents (i.e. communication around visiting classrooms, lunch, etc.)

Academic Society ceremony was changed to an in school assembly for peers. The thought behind it is to encourage peers to aspire to the academic society. This is a pilot for this year. It will be recorded for families and shared via School Messenger.

Looking for feedback around the end of year and academic society activities, perhaps the Princess boat and 6-8 grade academic society trip to B.I.G., is the price sustainable? $4000, ~140 students, Kevin and Gerald will reach out to try for a better price, will revisit for February meeting

8th grade promotion ceremony is Monday June 9th, it will start around 1:00pm at Huron High School

PTC, February 6th, Signup genius will be sent this Sunday

Treasurer's Report: Sarah Anton

Accounts are current with signers. Need another signer on the memorial account.

4 grants awarded for teachers, about $5500. Feels good to reinvest in the school and that staff are thinking of the PTSO as a resource

Up to date on our actual vs budgeted spending
Should the partnership with Deon Butler, MLK Day, etc. be line items in the budget for planning purposes? What is our true fundraising goal?

Gerald says MLK and NAAPID should definitely be line items, BSU has been asking for funds previously, unsure of future partnership with Deon (believes this fee will increase)

Spirit wear update (Kinda)-what line item might be available to put in a small bulk order now that stock is lower? Cleared up the discrepancy that occurred with the fundraiser (broken link, low participation, payment restrictions, communication), quality of product was good, for future sales, more advertising needed,

Karen thanked Kinda for a great sale and hopes we can get a spring sale going. New spiritwear has received great feedback and interest. Kinda will look for a good time to have a spring sale and reach back out to Karen.

PTOC Report: Celia Williams

Community Resource Fair in December, vendors had tables with lots of valuable information, Celia will share

Open Discussion
Faybia-New to Michigan-student new to Scarlett, has a bus question, Mr. Vasquez will check into this and follow up

7:46 pm adjourned.

Executive Board: President: Karen Hulsebus, Vice President: Kevin Jeffery, Treasurer #1: Sarah Anton, Treasurer #2: Kelly Pfeifer, Corresponding Secretary: Vicki Engling, Recording Secretary: Natalie Turner, PTOC Representative: Celia Williams