

Grand Canyon School PTA General Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2019, 5:30 pm,
Room 207

Cherie Benefield called the meeting to order at 5:32pm

In attendance:

Cherie Benefield, Cory Clark, Amanda Heller, Betsy Donehoo, Thomas O'Connor, Lori Rommel, Brenda Clark, Lisa Otto, Gloria Barrett, Peg Lyle

Treasurer's Report

I need the numbers. I didn't record them.

Current amount:

Teacher account:

O'Connor motioned to to approve Marche's minutes. All approved.

Old Business

Take a Book project is almost complete. The bookcases were purchased. They need to be put together and attached to the walls. Heller will focus on that after Book Fair.

Chili Dinner: March 29th, weather OK, but another community event was the same night. Less than 100 came. Games went well. Dinner was donated by RP's. \$85 in dinner donations. Silent Auction made more than \$200. Exact amount not known at the meeting. Discussion: It might not be worth doing dinners on our own. Maybe partnering with other groups. Promoting with half sheets for events to go home in student folders.

Book Fair. Materials have arrived, volunteers are in place. Set up Thursday, April 18, Book Fair night is April 24, 5:00-7:30pm

Teacher appreciation week (May 13-16). Next year, we might want to change it to Staff Appreciation to alleviate any confusion on who should participate. Theme is done, food is done, decorations are ordered. Still need to do some decor, and acquire the gifts. Invitations will go out one week prior. Surveys were sent out. Have about 30 responses so far.

Tusayan Grant: ask up to \$8000, Thomas O'Connor will find out the model number. Amanda Heller will write the grant. Discussion: we should lobby administration to spend some Impact Aid funds on Windows based laptops for teachers. The previous teacher Chromebooks could then be added to the student inventory.

Donehoo motioned to use leftover Teacher's funds that are unused after May 1st on adaptive classroom equipment. Discussion: it's not furniture. It's adaptive classroom equipment. We need to send out a reminder for teachers to turn in their receipts by May 1st to get reimbursed.

Cherie Benefield-President, Gina Adams-Vice President and Cory Clark-Treasurer ran uncontested. All in favor.

Donehoo motioned to add another Vice President, with titles VP of Fundraising for Gina Adams and VP of Programming. All approved.

Donehoo motioned to nominate Amanda Heller for VP of Programming. All approved.

Consent Agenda: Donehoo moved to approve the consent agenda. All approved.

Lyle would like to ask for \$200 from PTA to buy two EDU Breakout Kits for the elementary school. O'Connor motioned to grant Mrs. Lyle up to \$200 to buy two Breakout Kits. All approved. Lyle plans to use her \$200 teacher fund money to purchase 2 more and another teacher might also buy 2 with her funds. That would give the school 5-7 Breakout Kits. Lyle would like to offer a free PD to teachers on how to use them.

Student Summer Survival Kit, Red bag with GCS Phantoms with items, such as books, madlibs, pencils, paper, etc. Discussion: change the bag to a drawstring bag and maybe use the canvas bag as a fundraiser. Concern about including junk in the bags. Lyle motioned to create a committee to SSSK comprising of Mrs. Lyle, Mrs. Heller, Cory Clark, and Mrs. Clark. Also, get input from leaders from student organizations. All approved.

New "simple" grand canyon shirt was tabled.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, May 14, 5:30 pm

Adjourned 6:54 pm.