

PTA Meeting Minutes  
August 7, 2018, 6pm  
Grand Canyon School, Room 207

In attendance:

President Cherie Benefield, Vice President Gina Adams, Treasurer Cory Clark, Secretary Amanda Heller, Brenda Clark, Juliana Fontenot, Thomas O'Connor, Betsy Donehoo, Kara Chenevert, Rachael Rivera, James Hoekstra, Lisa Otto, Lina Rakow-Schenköske, Tracey Triggs, Jonathan Triggs, Chris Maragos, Gloria Barrett, Heidi Hoel, Peg Lyle, Cynthia Luther

The meeting came to order at 6:04pm

Agenda:

**Call to Order, Welcome Members & Guests**  
**Invite to read "New Year Documents" for voting**

#### **Introduction of 2018-19 Officers**

1. Election May 8, 2018 - only 7 attendees
2. Private vote - Another election? Or keep

#### **Summary - Since last we met...**

May Science Expo/Book Fair/Pasta Bake a "hit" - over \$600 raised  
July 4th Cotton Candy Fundraiser - \$200  
July 4th Voter Registration - 3 new voters  
Welcome Banners - Posted at school last week  
Updated bulletin board  
Food Backpacks - over 120 provided

#### **VOTE - New PTA-School Year Reports**

- a. Bylaws (vote) - Cherie
- b. Standing Rules (vote) - Cherie
- c. Treasurer's Report and 18-19 Budget (vote) Cory

#### **Old Business**

- a. \$150 "Teacher Project" current status. Need to notify "new teachers"
- b. IXL License - Vote on \$194 needed to "fund" - other \$200 from private donation
- c. List of "highlights" from last year

#### **New Business**

- a. Food Backpacks - stay with lockers as summer, worked great!
- b. Mark Kistler Art program - Amy McBroom (see materials)
  - i. Video presentation
- c. Focus last year "STeAM". This year?? Reading? Art? Music?? Healthy Eating??
- d. Advocacy - Election Year
- e. AZpta website for great ideas

- f. Membership drive - More hands = more help and ideas

### **Fundraising Opportunities**

- a. Tshirts? - "On the Edge" and either GC School or GC School logo
- b. Cookbooks - Cherie contact Xanterra
- c. "Locals" Coupon book?

### **Upcoming Events**

- a. Movie Nights
- b. Fall Carnival
  - Games/Candy
  - Lighted Bracelets
  - New T-shirts

### **Meeting Days/Times**

- a. Not on "Board nights"
- b. September Meeting -

### **Adjournment**

### **Introductions:**

President Benefield introduced the board members and attending school staff members.

A paper ballot vote was given to see if everyone was ok with the current officers, since only 7 attendees voted at the May meeting. 17 votes were OK with current officers, 1 vote for a revote. Current officers stayed.

### **Summary of Past Events:**

1. The May Science Expo/BookFair/Pasta Bake raised over \$600.
2. The July 4th Cotton Candy Fundraiser raised about \$200. Special thanks to our volunteers, Gina Adams, Betsy Donehoo and Peg Lyle.
3. 3 new voters were registered at the July 4th Voter Registration drive. President Benefield has a goal to have PTA be more active in getting people registered to vote.
4. Welcome banners were posted during the first week of school. Special thanks to volunteer/teacher Amy McBroom for making the banners
5. The PTA banner in the Office hallway was updated. Special thanks to volunteer/teacher Linda Rakow-Schenkoske for her work.
6. Food Backpacks were placed in lockers in Tusayan. Special thanks to volunteers Kara, Craig and Rem Chenevert for stocking the lockers over the summer. Special thanks to Delaware North for purchasing the lockers. Backpack distribution over the summer at the Grand Canyon Rec Center did not work.

### **New PTA School Year Reports**

1. Bylaws. A vote was held on whether to pass them, motioned by Betsy Donehoo, seconded by Heidi Hoel. They pass unanimously.
2. Heidi Hoel motions that we pass the Standing Rules. Gina Adams seconded. It was passed unanimously.
3. Thomas O'Connor motioned to table the 2018-2018 budget vote to the next meeting. Peg Lyle seconded.

**Old Business:**

1. IXL licence was bought without a vote. We should have at least 2 signatures as the bylaws stipulate. Thomas O'Connor made a motion that the IXL licence cost should come out of last year's budget. Chris Maragos seconded. It passed unanimously.

**New Business:**

1. Food backpacks will be distributed to the lockers this school year. Need more volunteers
2. Items B and C were tabled until the next meeting.
  - A. b is Mark Kistler Art Program
  - B. c is what is our focus this year.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 18, 6pm.

Adjournment at 7:07