Sierra Elementary PTC Minutes November 4, 2015 6:00 PM

I. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 6:00

II. Roll Call/Introductions

Jamie Wuerthner, President
Betsey Welsh, Co-Vice President
Susan Willson, Co-Vice President
Katie Leman, Co-Treasurer
Barbara Trammell. Co-Treasurer
Trista Martin, Communication Coordinator
Kali Hetrick, Secretary
Diane Sorenson, Teacher Representative

Jenn Alexande Claire Luna Bret Hunter Shauna Krantz

Petra Collamer Nicole Zehnder Diane Duncan

Shauna Frieseu Gina Farinacci Amy Domingo

III. Approval of minutes – October 7, 2015

Susan Willson motioned to approve the minutes for the PTC General Meeting held on October 7, 2015. Barbara Trammel seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Katie Leman, co-treasurer, reviewed the treasurer's report for the PTC.

A few more donations came in for the FUNd run. These were matching donations donated by parents employers. The carnival does not have final calculations, but it is believed that the carnival made approximately \$4,000.00 dollars. There have been several teacher reimbursements for supplies from their account.

V. Fall Carnival Recap

The Fall Carnival was a huge success. There was a lot of positive feedback from those that attended. This year vendors were added. The plan is to add more vendors next year. The vendors donate 10% of the money they make at the event back to the school. This year that was about \$140.00 dollars. Whitney High School provided 27 volunteers to help at the event. This was a great help, and we hope to utilize more High School volunteers in the future.

There was some concern that the Food Truck took away from the 5th grade soda and water sales fundraiser. The PTC discussed not allowing the Food Truck to sell drinks. However, there have been issues in the past when the 5th graders choose not to do this fundraiser at the last minute resulting in no drinks. The group decided that we would continue to let the Food Trucks sell drinks, and encourage the 5th graders to market their fundraiser more effectively. It was also brought to the PTC's attention that this fundraiser does not make a lot of money, and they are looking at other options to reduce the price of 6th grade camp.

Bret Hunter has offered to reach out to the Whitney High School shop classes about making signs and new wood games that would be donated to the school. Shauna Krantz was able to get \$450.00 dollars worth of items from Oriental Trading Company donate for the event.

The PTC recognizes that this year's carnival was scheduled during a very busy time, and that the date was changed due to the timing of the FUNd Run, the 6th graders annual trip, and the limitation to of Friday's only. The goal will to be have all the dates for the 2016-2017 school year selected this Spring, so that teachers are better able to plan around the event.

VI. Auction Update

The auction menu will be changing as a result of a delayed crab season, and a warning from the government about eating Dungeness crab. This may have resulted in a much higher price if the crab could be eaten at all. To avoid a last minute change the committee opted to change the theme of the event to a Barn Party BBQ. The date and location of the event remain the same. The committees will be working on alternative decorations and a signature drink for the event. We are considering multiple catering options.

This event raises approximately \$20,000 dollars for the school. It is the hope of the PTC with the school district taking on more of the IB expenses that we will be able to get more of the extras that have been requested by staff and Sierra families.

VII. Holiday Scrip

Shauna Krantz is managing our Holiday Scrip this year. An email was sent out to Sierra families today explaining how the program works. Below is the email:

Shop Sierra Elementary for all your gift card needs this holiday season!

Purchase your holiday gift cards through Sierra and earn money for the school! Starting now through December 4 place your orders for gift cards from hundreds of popular retailers (Amazon, Starbucks, Kohl's, Macy's, iTunes and so much more!).

There are two ways to place your orders:

- 1. Pick up an order form in the school office, fill out form and return to the office with check.
- 2. Visit www.shopwithscrip.com, register and enter our school code: 67217E8F12L12. Select the gift cards you would like to order and submit. Then bring your check to the school office with a print out of your order. No orders are filled until payment is received.

Email sierrascripprogram@gmail.com with questions.

The amount the school receives from each scrip (or gift card) varies. Online and on the printable PDF (that will be going out with the next email) tells you how much of the face value will be donated to the school. The donation does not affect the value of the card. The last day to bring your payment to the office is December 4, 2015. This will allow time for the gift cards to ship to the school prior to leaving on Winter break.

VIII. Principal's Message

Diane Duncan, the interim principal, shared the principal's message.

Sami's Circuit was Tuesday November 3rd, and the kids really enjoyed it again this year.

She received a lot of positive feedback from the staff and families. This Thursday November 5, 2015 there will be a meeting to discuss the new report card system that was adopted this year. There are several other meetings in the next few months, but tomorrow is the one at Sierra Elementary. The new Depituy Director of Education, Kathleen Pon, visited the school this week. It was her first visit to a campus, and she was excited to learn about IB and how Sierra is integrating new curriculum within IB. They were able to visit and meet the Kindergarten and First grade classrooms. Parent/Guardian can now schedule their conference times online. The online scheduler will be up November 1st to the 10th. More information will be going out via email. tomorrow. The school is currently, working replacing the broken handles and locks on the gates to the Kindergarten playground. The staff is working on when these gates will be unlocked. All staff will be given a key for the gate. We continue to encourage parents to sign in at the office when on campus. It helps keep everyone safe.

IX. New Business/Open Forum

This month's dining for donations location is Moo-Yah! The date is November 16th, which is the first day of minimum days. Our chair was able to get Moo Yeah to extend the fundraiser time to 11:00 AM tell closing. A flyer will be emailed out. Please, take your flyer with you to the restaurant.

Diane Duncan will look into the PTC being able to use the school copy machine. Currently, that is not allowed. The PTC is hopeful that something could be worked out. We are also looking for companies interested in sponsoring our printing for events. Printing costs for the Fall Carnival were over \$150.0 dollars.

The Flower Farm has agreed to donate a one night stay. The Auction Committee has asked that we help advertise a few of their holiday events on our school ap.

X. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.