

SCARLETT MIDDLE SCHOOL PTSO



Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2022 – 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, on Zoom

Our Mission: To facilitate close cooperation among parents, teachers, and students in order to raise funds for a variety of enrichment opportunities and foster a strong learning community!

Attendees: Tiffany Marra, Adelaide Lancaster, Gerald Vazquez, Victoria Engling, Laura Morning, Shannon Elyse Considine, Sarah Anton, Kristen Fraser, Lesleigh Vanderbilt-Baugh, T. Stevenson, Jill Pritts, Erica Lamar, Kristen Fraser

- Welcome/President's report (Adelaide Lancaster)
 - Meeting called to order at 6:37 pm (Adelaide motioned, Gerald Vazquez seconded)
 - Adelaide is filling in for Kathy Owens and leading the meeting
 - Approve meeting minutes (Tiffany Marra motioned, Gerald Vazquez seconded, all approve)
 - Family Fun Night updates
 - We want everyone to come, spread the word!
 - PTSO provided funding to support the evening, and Student Council is planning everything
- Ms. Shreck will join us for the December meeting, will decide how to fit her in the agenda
- Treasurer's Report (Tiffany Marra)
 - Spirit wear raised almost \$1800, the goal is \$3000
 - We spent \$850 for the 6th grade laser light show
 - Received \$150 in general donations
 - Treasury is doing well, income is ahead of expenses
 - There is almost \$45k in total balance
 - Mr. Vazquez: There is money set aside (in memory of previous student) that will be used at end of year for an as yet undecided purpose, the student's family will approve how funds are used
- Principal's Report (Gerald Vazquez)
 - Ms. Stevenson is a delight to have in the Scarlett community, and has been a wonderful asset. Dr. Peterson is recuperating well and will be back in December
 - Emailed MSTEP reports to families, remember it's not indicative of performance overall, and faculty at Scarlett is concerned about supporting every part of students' school experience
 - Next Tuesday is end of term one of three (Scarlett has three terms instead of four because of IB status)

- o Faculty and students have persevered through a long term
 - o We need to update the rules about what to bring on Thursday for Spirit Week so students aren't bringing unsafe or cumbersome items
 - o Thank you to Ms. Morning and Ms. Baugh for overseeing student council and supporting their ideas, we are very thankful for their help
 - o Family Fun Night is a go! Thanks to everyone involved and Kathy Owens for providing volunteers
 - o Dance is ready to go. A former student will DJ clean music. Students submitted song ideas via Google doc
 - o Thank you PTSO for the support with Family Fun Night. It's been great to empower student council as well
 - o Ms. Baugh: Thank you to the administration! The students were an amazing help in planning the event, they were empowered so well by staff
 - o Adelaide Lancaster: Suggested sharing a Spotify playlist from the dance. Also it would be beneficial for Scarlett families to hear how much the faculty helps above and beyond school day responsibilities. Thank you faculty for working a Friday night event!
- PTOC Update (Sarah Anton, PTOC Recording Secretary)
 - o The next PTOC meeting will be 11/21 at 7pm on Zoom. The topic is "What does safety mean to us in AAPS?" There will be a panel followed by group discussion. It will include various student and community organizations with a wide range of topics and perspectives
 - o The school board candidate forum was very helpful at last month's meeting
- Fundraisers
 - o Spirit Wear: (Adelaide Lancaster) We wrapped up the online pop up shop. The items will be coming home before Thanksgiving break. There were 40 total orders, with about 70 items ordered
 - Next up is making an order to supplement current inventory, especially for adult sizes
 - We won't sell spirit wear at FFN because it needs a lot of staffing and also there aren't enough large sizes available
 - Since there is more lead up time to the spring pop-up shop, there will be more inventory and more feedback on how to pull it off
 - o Gerald: Spoke with Jody from the fundraiser. Scheduling it for March. The Day of Awesomeness will be during the last week of school, specific date TBA. Historically a lot of the coordination falls to him and Dr. Peterson. Hoping the PTSO can help with logistics and provide volunteers to offset the workload. During the two weeks of raising money, there is a need for daily data entry, prizes organization at lunch time, etc. Let's move to families owning it instead of staff
 - o Adelaide Lancaster: Can we allot time in future meetings to discuss what the needs are for fundraiser, to best meet those needs

- Open Discussion
 - Tiffany: Volunteered to help with school dance. What are the guidelines? Gerald: not sure, we'll play it by ear
 - Gerald: thank you everyone for your time, we love this community!

- Adjourn meeting 7:23pm (Adelaide Lancaster motioned, Gerald Vazquez seconded)