

# SCARLETT MIDDLE SCHOOL PTSO



## Meeting Minutes February 14, 2022 – 6:30 pm

**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!

### Welcome and Introductions

- Attending: Gerald Vazquez, Nicky Geyer, Victoria Engling, Mimoza Ramaxhiku, Harmony Hoekzema.

### Approve November and December Meeting Minutes

Mr. Vazquez motioned to approve the minutes for November and December. All approved.

### Principal's Report - Gerald Vazquez

- **Testing Updates** - Scarlett did an additional round of NWEA testing this year because more data was required from the middle schools. EL students have testing in February. Fifty 8th graders will also be randomly chosen to take the NAEP test.
- **Black History Month** - During CCA, students are celebrating Black History Month. Staff are doing a good job of engaging all students.
- **Covid Updates** - For the time being, the district will continue to require masks indoors. Kids are still doing a good job of following mask expectations. You may start to see some changes as covid numbers continue to drop. There is discussion about allowing evening programs such as Science Olympiad back into the schools.

### President's report - Nicky Geyer

- **Supply Fundraiser** - Slauson's PTSO is doing a supply fundraiser and wants to collaborate with Scarlett. Our teachers have a wishlist on Amazon and Scarlett families can either donate money or donate items. Kathy can send out an email with the wishlist link.
- **Day of Awesomeness** - The planned date for the event is April 20th. Launch day is February 28th. Nicky and Gerald will be meeting with the organizer, Jody, to discuss specifics.
- **Looking Forward** - During March and April, we will start to work on the PTSO Board for next year. There will be an opportunity to reshape the PTSO over the next few years.
- **Social Events** - Places are starting to reopen, so the PTSO can start planning after

school social events again - at places similar to Zap Zone and AirTime.

- **Spirit Wear** - Nicky found a parent to help her with Spirit Wear and it's been a great help.

### **Treasurer's Report - MIMOZA RAMAXHIKU**

- The January balance is as follows:
  - The ending Savings Balance was \$10,778.62.
  - The ending Checking Balance was \$24,205.57.
  - The CD Balance was \$6,048.55.

### **PTOC Report - Harmony Hoekzema**

- At the monthly PTOC meeting, there was an interesting conversation about student and school safety, such as how to appropriately secure doors, etc.
- During one of the breakout rooms, people started to discuss recent concerns about the safety of children getting to and from school. There have been a few accidents in parking lots and crosswalks. A former Scarlett mother was hit by a car in an elementary school parking lot. With the busing issues, pick up and drop off have had more cars than ever, and more problems. There is no clear plan from the district on how to improve the transportation problems.
- Scarlett is due to pay our PTOC fee.

### **Looking Ahead**

The next PTSO meeting is Monday, March 14th.