

# SCARLETT MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO



## Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2021 – 6:30 pm to 8:00 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, Kathy Owens, Victoria Engling, John Franks, Jill Pritts, Stephanie Gayle Riegle, Mimoza Ramaxhiku, Heather Finnie.
- **Approve April meeting minutes:** April meeting minutes were approved by the group.

### Principal's Report - Mr. Vazquez

- The new hybrid schedule has begun. On Monday and Tuesday, about 140 students attended school. 80-90 students attended Thursday and Friday. The average daily attendance throughout the pandemic has been about 94%. Scarlett has not had any Covid cases since the start of hybrid learning.
- Planning has started for in-person summer programs. Mr. Soupal will be the summer school principal.
- There will not be an in-person graduation ceremony for 8th Graders. They do, however, have permission to do a drive-thru opportunity/celebration. We would like to give the graduates a gift bag. The school will handle purchasing the gifts and the PTO will pay for them. Mr. Vazquez would like to get some decorations like a banner and an arch. And there will be music.
- Students will be having school on the Wednesday after Memorial Day, which would normally be an asynchronous day.

### PTO Council Report - Jill Pritts

- At the last PTOC meeting, they discussed equity. There was an open discussion on what schools are really facing. There has been a large uptick in volunteers. John Franks and Jill are both running for positions on the council.
- Heather noted that she spoke with a Mitchell parent who might be interested in being Scarlett's PTOC Rep. next year.
- Mr. Vazquez would like to be part of the discussion/plan to make our PTO more equitable.

## **President's Report – Nicky Geyer**

### **● Next Year's Board Elections**

- Thank you to Heather for setting up all of the Dine to Donates this year. We'd like to combine the Dine to Donate and Hospitality positions and have more than one person on this team - Hospitality/Restaurant Crew.
- Mimoza is doing a great job as treasurer. We just need one more person next year to handle deposits.
- Mr. Vazquez will ask some of the parents who are on staff if they'd be interested in joining the PTSO.
- We will need to vote on the PTSO Board at the June 9th meeting.
- It would be nice to create a sort of brochure to give to parents that explains all of what the PTSO does and what they have done in the past.
- When school starts, we can try to continue meetings both in person and on zoom using the conference option. More parents may be able to attend meetings this way.

## **Restaurant Nights**

- Everest Sherpa's fundraiser will be going on all month!
- Heather is having trouble booking a restaurant for June, so we might not have a June fundraiser.

## **Treasurer's Report - Mimoza Ramaxhiku**

The April monthly summary is as follows:

- We had an income of \$921.76.
- We had expenses of \$15.89.
- The ending Savings Balance was \$10,777.76.
- The ending Checking Balance was \$26,926.25.
- The CD Balance was \$6,047.56.

## **Open Discussion**

- The teachers and staff loved their Jimmy John's lunch for Teacher Appreciation Week.
- AirTime on Eisenhower has closed permanently, so we will not be able to book a fundraiser there in the future,
- Mr. Vazquez thanked the PTSO and said that our school community is so fortunate to have us.

## **Looking Ahead:**

- The next meeting is on 6/9/2021.