

# SCARLETT MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO



## Meeting Minutes

**January 13, 2020 – 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: Margarita Barrientes, Victoria Engling, Amy Balzer-Pemberton, Leslie Wilkins, Tara Campbell, Laura Lovasz, Jen Duman, Bob Duman, Elliot H. Wills-Begley.

### President's Report - Margarita Barrientes

- The AirTime Fundraiser had a good turnout. February 25th is our next half day and might be a good day for another Fundraiser. We could do a restaurant night on the same night.
- We have a new group in the school called BSU, Black Student Union. Most colleges have this group. They have requested \$300 to have the Eastern Gospel Choir sing at the all school MLK Day assembly. The PTO decided that it can cover \$200. Will communicate with them to see if that is an option for them.

### Treasurer's Report & Budgeting - Amy Balzer-Pemberton

- The school store only ran twice since the last meeting.
- Tickets for the upcoming school-wide field trip have been paid for. The students will see Mariachi Vargas de Tecalitlán for \$6 per student.
- Buses were approved for a Language Acquisition Department field trip to UofM.
- So far, the PTO has helped with Ice skating, Arabic books, and A2 STEAM training for Peers Making Peace.

### SCARLETT MONTHLY SUMMARY

ACCOUNT BALANCE	December 2019
SAVINGS	\$20,406.66
CHECKING	\$10,773.63
CD	\$6,045.97
<b>CURRENT MONTH</b>	
DEPOSIT	\$1,807.56
WITHDRAWAL	\$2,335.49

**For the month of December, we had income as follows:**

\$665.00	AirTime Fundraiser
\$807.11	Spirit wear
\$181.15	Grocery
\$298.00	School Store

**Expenses as follows:**

\$105.49	School store
\$2,2250.00	University Musical Society

**Approval of December Minutes**

Minutes were read and approved.

**Fundraising**

- Tara noted that the Little Caesar's fundraiser has not been as successful as last year. In the future, we need to communicate better with teachers so that forms go out on time.
- Agreed to send out an email reminder tonight that orders are due on Wednesday.
- Kits are coming in on January 29th and can be picked up then.
- Leslie noted that it will be a success even if it's not as profitable as last year.

**Carnival Planning**

The Carnival is the biggest fundraiser of the year and will take place on March 13th. We need volunteers.

- Nicky is the Carnival Chairperson.
- One silent auction idea is to reserve a parking spot as well as seats in the front (non-student) row for events such as concerts, 8th Grade Graduation, etc. Need to run the idea by Mr. Vazquez.
- Leslie received an email from a parent who cannot attend the planning meeting, but would like to help contact possible donors.
- Someone had an idea for a night on the town silent auction basket that would include something like a show at the Ark and dinner at Old Towne Tavern.
- Some letters still need to be hand delivered.
- Devin and Laura are working on games. There will also be a craft table, pie toss, cake walk, and pop ring toss. We need to start asking for donations of pop in February.
- Discussed a package deal that would combine wristband with cake walk and pie in the face. Or possibly putting pop ring toss on the wristband.
- Will someone reach out to Jen about Henna?
- For the 50/50 raffle, we need to apply for a license.
- Amy can make a SnapChat filter for the evening.
- Vicki mentioned a baker from Mitchell Elementary that might be able to provide allergy friendly baked goods for the Cake Walk.

## **Open Discussion**

- Mr. Wills-Begley came to discuss the Chicago trip which is in the planning stages. In the past, the PTO has paid for 8th grade trip tshirts, bus driver and tour guide tips, and one of the dinners. 91 students have signed up so far. Theron's family is sponsoring 7 boys. Girls Group is sponsoring 5 girls and 5 boys. Two students have asked for financial assistance. The PTSO has helped with scholarships in the past.
- Leslie asked if thank yous have been written to those donating to the scholarships. Many have asked to remain anonymous. Group agreed that anonymous donors could be recognized on the facebook page, i.e. "thank you to the anonymous donors."
- The next Restaurant Night is January 21st at Chipotle.

**Meeting adjourned:** 7:55pm.

## **Looking ahead**

- Next PTSO Meeting: February 10, 2020
- Pizza Kit Pick Up Day: January 29, 2020
- Carnival Planning Meeting: January 30, 2020
- Scarlett Carnival: March 13, 2020