

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PTO COUNCIL FOR
GLENRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Thursday, March 16, 2023

A meeting of the PTO Council for Glenridge Elementary School was held, as scheduled pursuant to due notice on March 16, 2023 at 9:30 am CST via zoom conference and at Glenridge.

The following members of the Board were present at the meeting: Lynn Courter, Co-President; Kathryn Yorg, Co-President; Sarah Boyce, Secretary; Jami Klang, Communications; Tarita Murdock, Principal; Denise Stouffer, teacher representative, Stacey Hoffman

The following ex-Officio Advisors and members were present: Aida Hadzisabec, Whitney Lorenz (yearbook), Emily Milchanowski, Angie Kelton, Lilly Scharff, Marisa Gelfan, Jason Backman, Katherine, Laura Long, Rob Klang

Call to Order & Introductions: Lynn Courter & Kathryn Yorg

The board approved the minutes from last month.

Presidents Report: Lynn Courter

Basak update from Lynn: the mentoring program is moving forward

Principal's Report: Dr. Tarita Murdock

Field: Field is open on the weekends. T-ball and Kid zone are using it. The goal is to have the field open over the summer, hopefully we'll have the cameras up by then

Logo/Mascot: There are two logo options for the Griffin. Kids and teachers are voting by tomorrow afternoon.

Claymo Line Item: adding Claymo line item to the budget, there was historically \$1k/annual donation that is no longer

Teacher Representative Report: Denise Stouffer

Thanks for the food last night, there's leftovers for lunch today.

Reserved the pool for field day at half the price that was approved last meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Provided by Lynn

Need to approve the financial statement.

Lynn reviewed the highlights.

Need additional funds for teacher appreciation.

PTO Council Update: Lilly

Lilly gave update that the role of the PTO Council is to provide guidance.

Other Business:

Chairs needed for next year: we still need a vice-president, co-president and co-treasurer. Jason Backman signed up for co-president.

Upcoming events:

Strawberry Festival has a lot of volunteers on various committees. Should we have wrist bands instead of tickets. We are going to use a wrist band (offered in advance or day of) and tickets (day of) this year.

Spirit Wear: Julie Keeney will take this on as spirit wear chair. We are going to have strawberry festival shirts, we'll try to get people to order before the festival. Looking into having the event from 9-1 instead of 9-12.

Food: Sugarfire/Hi point Food: Chicken Tender, Cheeseburgers, and shakes and funnel cakes. Some sales will be donated

We'll have thank you banners to local sponsors led by Kathryn.

Entertainment: block off streets. Need to contact City of Clayton now.

Balloon and caricature is \$1,750 now, possibly skip the balloons and transfer the money to the magician.

Air Brush tattoos \$375 for 3 hours 9-12 can look to move it to 4 hours.

Multi skilled entertainers: magic, crowd work, stilts scheduled from 930-1130 we can extend the time \$225 first hour then \$150 each additional hour

Roman Magician and Hula people, \$250/hr plus \$175 additional hour

Prize booth where you turn tix in with a limit on how many prizes (not getting prizes from vendor) Kathryn is sourcing the prizes (swag, headbands, clayton stuff, better quality)

Cake walk might need additional volunteers because last year kids were walking off with cakes.

PTO Book Club: good shape, lots of childcare will be provided

Pancake breakfast: Volunteer note will be posted tomorrow. Save the date will be up on IG today, food is coming from chartwells pancakes, sausage, yogurt, juice. Looking at balloon animals. Discussing donut holes. \$8 pre sale, \$10 at door, requested QR code. Ordered lawn signs that will be up after spring break, posters and backpack cards will be up after break. Going to invite our alderman (Susan and Ira). Donate a tix will be an option

5th grade promotion: save the date is put together. Gift will be the renovated science garden with a garden planting event on Friday April 28. There will be a guessing game on who's who in the café. Thank you recognition note. Promotion is June 1, will do a class photo in front of the school at 9 with the district photographer. The plan is to start a gallery with the 5th grade pictures. Still figuring out costs, got a 25% discount on the pool. Got a lot donated with the science garden.

Yearbook is going to print, 198 sales. Will probably increase the sale price next year

PTO Closet is cleaned up!

Color run was incredible!

Conclusion

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:51am.

Respectfully submitted,

_____ Sarah Boyce, PTO Secretary