

Meadow Ridge School Fundraising Society Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 23, 2023 7:30 pm, MRS Upper Floor

In Attendance: Kristi Lindquist, Crystal Krauss, Jaime Bolen, Heidi Okada, Shannon Gosse, Shannon Speidel, Nicole Mulholland, Nicole Best, Lesley MacOdrum and Sarah Larsen

Administration: Rebecca Forchuk (Principal)

1. CALL TO ORDER: Sarah Larsen called the meeting to order at 7:47

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA MOTION

Motion by Sarah Larsen

That the agenda for the November 23, 2024 Regular Meeting agenda be adopted as presented. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - N/A

4. ELECTIONS

Sarah Larsen put her name forward as President. Sarah voted in as President Nicole Mulholland put her name forward as Secretary. Nicole voted in as Secretary.

5. Treasurer Update

Crystal Krauss reported that hot lunch has raised \$14, 361.00 to date.

MOTION By Sarah Larsen

That the Treasurer's report be adopted as information.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Hot Lunch Committee

- a. Discussion whether to continue the homemade option. Typical hot lunch options make significantly more. Decision to continue with both options for now.
- b. Volunteers are hard to find in December and August. Rebecca Forchuk suggested we utilize grade 8/9 students when necessary.
- c. Hot lunch donations for those in need was discussed. 37 people donated last month to the program. Kristi Lindquist asked if teachers could give us a list of students who are in need. Rebecca Forchuk suggested we could credit the family accounts of those who would benefit from this program. The families could then purchase the hot lunches they desire. Heidi Okada made the point that some of those families might not currently have a hot lunch account.

7. Fundraisers

- a. DFS Fundraiser only 37 people have ordered to date, with approx \$300 in orders. Unforturnately you have to register just to look at the online catalogue. If we request paper catalogs next year in November we can send them home with kids.
- b. Shannon Gosse suggested a First Aid Kit Fundraiser
- c. Fundraisers coming up:

Jan - Read - a - thon (done by end of Jan)

Feb - Jump Rope for Heart and Stroke Foundation

- First Aid Kits - Shannon Gosse

March - Family Dance / Fifth year Birthday Party for Meadow Ridge - Shannon Speidel April/May - Fundscripts (Father / Mothers day, teacher gifts)

We would like to assemble parent volunteer sub-committees for the Dance and for the Read-a-thon and volleyball concession. Rebecca Forchuk suggested Kim Peever could send out requests and Donna Short could include requests in "Community Connect."

d. Volleyball Concession - Heidi Okada would like to raise funds for grade 9s.

8. School "Wish List"

Rebecca Forchuk shared the school "wish list" with the committee, including the \$13,000 school deficit that came from waived school fees during covid, and unpaid parent accounts to date. The request is for \$5,000.00 each year for the next 3 yrs to cover the deficit. The general school budget cannot be used to cover this.

MOTION

By Sarah Larsen

To table the Wish List to the next meeting's agenda, to discuss further.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Band Update from Jaime Bolen

- a. Band students have raised some money to pay for the duck incentives by selling suckers
- Band needs more money to cover instrument repairs, purchase music, incentives and outdoor speakers. Jamie Bolen asked if a 50/50 raffle could be arranged during concert nights.
 Suggested we could raffle off some front row seats at the concerts.
- c. Friday, Dec 8th Band Movie Night. Concession will be available. Other fundraising ideas?
- d. Dessert Night and Silent Auction for Spring Concert
- e. Chicken and Egg fundraiser. Order from the Arrowwood Colony. Nicole Mulholland will look into this option.

10. Adjourn

MOTION

By Sarah Larsen

That the meeting adjourn at 9:00pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY