

**McGraw Elementary PTSO  
General Meeting Minutes  
November 4, 2022**

**Attendance:**

PTSO Board Members: Rahshida Perez, Corinne Roth, Staci Nouri, Ethnie Treick  
PTSO Members: Pam Spiciatti, Mitzi Berger, Chris Berger, Dan Porter, Brandi Kattman, Jen Schill  
Staff: Amy Smith, Laura Whale  
Student Leadership: None

**Minutes:**

Rahshida called the meeting to order at 7:51 a.m. We reviewed the minutes from the October 7, 2022 General Meeting. Corinne Roth made a motion to approve and Pam Spiciatti seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**President's Report**

Rahshida did not have anything to report but mentioned how grateful she was to have Donuts with Grown-Ups again.

**VP of Fundraising Report**

Lauren was not able to attend, but she has a Dine Out for McGraw Night scheduled at Stuff Burger Bar from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16 and SMOK on Wednesday, December 7.

**VP of Events Report**

Corinne reported the following:

- Donuts with Grown-Ups went well. We spent \$700 on donuts and supplies. We donated leftover donuts to the hospital and police station. We purchased a drink from Travelin' Toms for each teacher.
- We have Spirit Wear on sale now through November 14.
- Our next event is International Night on Friday, January 27. Please let Corinne know if you would like to join the event committee. We are making new passports for all students and are looking for a restaurant partner for dinner that evening. Paul Schkade is working on securing presenters.
- In the spring, we will have Muffin Morning, Indoor Movie and Teacher Appreciation Week. Planning for those events will start soon.

**Treasurer's Report**

Staci reported the following account balances:

- Checking Account: \$4295.44
- Savings Account: \$6209.59
- Nature Center: \$754.19
- PayPal: \$6782.74

We have an uncashed check of \$719.68 from King Soopers that will increase the Nature Center balance. We loaned \$300 to the Book Fair for register change. We donated \$50 to the "Kids Who are Bad at Tax" fund.

**Secretary's Report**

Ethnie did not have anything to report.

## **Principal's Report**

Amy asked for parent help in spreading the word about school of choice and Kindergarten enrollment. Registration opens on November 28.

## **Fund Requests**

We received three funds requests this month:

- \$147.88 for preschool scholastic books (Ethnie motioned, Staci seconded, and the motion passed unanimously)
- \$230 for 4th and 5th grade Brain Pop videos (Corinne motioned, Ethnie seconded, and the motion passed unanimously)
- \$241 for set of high/low books for use in all grade levels (Staci motioned, Corinne seconded, and the motion passed unanimously)

## **McGraw Community Feedback**

We recently started offering an online feedback form to gather feedback from people unable to attend our meeting. Several comments came in this month:

- Teacher and student voices should be represented in the PTSO meeting
- Send PTSO representative to staff meetings
- Bring the potluck back for Teacher Appreciation Week
- Publish PTSO meeting minutes
- Overhaul the library to remove outdated and offensive books
- Complaint about the amount of money spent on the Nature Center
- Anything over \$500 should go to parents for a vote
- Comments about the digital sign and PTSO funds being used for repairs

We discussed all the items raised. PTSO minutes are distributed via the Eagle Edition and on the PTSO website. Mrs. Whale is the PTSO teacher representative this year and student leadership will be included soon. PTSO members will attend the staff meeting this week. We discussed the funds requests process. We are considering giving each teacher a set amount per month/year and are working to determine the right amount, based on needs this year. We discussed the digital sign, potential PTSO involvement, and the uses of school district funds versus school funds. Rahshida stressed the importance of parents and teachers coming to meetings, submitting feedback and asking questions.

## **Old Business**

Brea Auer and Pam Spiccatti, Enrichment Coordinators, are scheduling school assemblies. In January, the focus will either be raptors or therapy dogs.

## **New Business**

There was no new business.

## **Open Floor**

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.