

**McGraw Elementary PTSO
General Meeting Minutes
February 3, 2023**

Attendance:

PTSO Board Members: Corinne Roth, Staci Nouri, Ethnie Treick, Rahshida Perez

PTSO Members: Pam Spiciatti, Sarah Deluca, Brea Auer, Jen Schill, Jenae Lopez, Mitzi Berger, Chris Berger

Staff: Matt Brinkman, Laura Whale, Sara Baffoe

Student Leadership: Adrian Spiciatti, Sutton Bohan

Minutes:

Rahshida called the meeting to order at 7:50 a.m. We reviewed the minutes from the January 6, 2023 General Meeting. Staci made a motion to approve and Brea seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

President's Report

Rahshida said she was thrilled to have events in the school again and that International Night went really well. She thanked Corinne and Paul Schkade.

VP of Fundraising Report

Lauren was not able to attend.

VP of Events Report

International Night was on Friday, January 27. We ordered 350 meals this year (historically we've ordered 220). We doubled meals for presenters and had 40 meals donated. Even with the increased cost of meals, the event was still successful. We discussed what worked well and what we'd like to change for next year. Corinne would like to survey families for additional feedback.

Corinne is organizing a spring movie on either February 26 or March 5. Muffin Morning is on April 27. Teacher Appreciation is May 1-5.

Student Report

Sara said that student leadership is a group of 4th and 5th graders who had a teacher recommendation, applied and completed an interview. Adrian and Sutton are both 5th graders. They are working on public speaking and presentations about 5th Grade Exhibition and Not Bragging. Student leaders helped with International Night and will help plan Kindness Month and Teacher Appreciation Week.

Treasurer's Report

Staci reported the following account balances:

- Checking Account: \$9,862.40
- Savings Account: \$6,210.37
- Nature Center: \$2,000.00
- PayPal: \$56.84

The tax letters went out last month. Staci used the Costco gift card for the snacks purchase that was approved last month. The Amazon Smile program is being discontinued so we are asking families to sign up for King Soopers Community Rewards program. Staci is working on getting

state tax exemption. A parent is interested in organizing a fun run at McGraw and Staci will put them in touch with Lauren. We discussed a possible fun run.

Secretary's Report

Ethnie did not have anything to report.

Principal's Report

Matt thanked everyone for their work on International Night. It was a huge success. The week of February 13 is Classified Appreciation Week. The IB site visit is virtual this year and is February 22-24. We discussed enrollment numbers and when staffing decisions will be made.

Fund Requests

We received two funds requests this month:

- \$300 for entrance fees for the 3rd grade field trip – Line item so no approval needed
- \$99 for digital escape room subscription for 5th grade – Pam motioned, Ethnie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

School Supply Kits

Staci is working on the lists with the front office. The website should be open in March for pre-orders. We will send out the link via the Eagle Edition and Facebook.

K-9 Demonstration

Brea and Pam said the presentation was canceled because of a snow day. The next available date is in late April. We will table this presentation until next fall, given the full calendar this spring. We discussed possible options for enrichment presentations.

New Business

30th Anniversary Idea

Pam suggested that the PTSO could provide a book vending machine in honor of McGraw's anniversary. Books are purchased with a token, which could be given out for Soar Hearts or other times. We all liked the idea and Pam will do more research.

McGraw Community Feedback

We did not receive any community feedback this month.

Open Floor

Odyssey of the Mind teams are working hard. McGraw has eight teams and the first tournament is March 25 in Fort Collins. Brittany Goll will take over for Mitzi next year.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.