

Meadow PTA Meeting, September 1, 2021

Attendance: Candace Jones, Breanne Noyes, Shannon Parker, Alisa Hart, Emily Wall, Rachelle Whipple, Candace Clark, James Smart, Kamille Lionetti, Joni Moore, Angeline Collette

Meeting Started at 9:40am. We had trouble setting up the projector in the room for the reverence. Candace Jones welcomed everyone and then we went around the room and introduced ourselves to each other. Excuse Julie Strong, secretary. Her son has a wedding this weekend so her family is quarantined to prevent any covid contact. Breanne Noyes is filling in taking minutes.

Candace J: Budget proposal. We didn't have much expense last year so we kept a good PTA carry over. Look over the budget and voice any concerns before we vote.

Alisa H: We need subs. They were 2 subs short yesterday and 1 sub short today. You can sign up to be a sub just for Meadow if you'd like. The district has a short training and does a background check.

Budget Discussion. A few budget changes from years past: Male Engagement Committee. Watch Dogs (Alisa-Joe Tuiaana started the program at Cherry Hill, he has a 6th grader at Meadow now. If we are interested in starting the actual Watch Dog Program he'd be a good resource.)

New budget item. We want to bring back Meadow Movie Night- several signed up to help with this. This was a great Meadow community activity. Still organizing the date and committee. Hannah Widman, Student Council advisor, suggested the SC would want to be involved.

New budget item. Lehi PTSA is asking for a \$100 donation from each school in our cluster to give 2 scholarships out at the end of the school year.

Budget Approval.

Motion to Approve the budget for the 2021-2022 School year by Candace Clarke.

2nd by Alisa Hart. Teachers were sent a copy of the budget since they would be unable to attend and given the opportunity to vote via email. Vote was unanimous.

The motion to approve the proposed budget has passed.

Rachelle Whipple, Teacher PTA Rep- I love you all and appreciate you.

Alisa - Theme this year Dream Big - Focusing on goals. Goals from the district, school level goals, class level goals, but the most important goals and the ones we are most likely to achieve are the ones we set for ourselves. What we are passionate about is what we will be successful at. Students setting goals for their own learning. We can't set goals for them. When they set their own goals they are more likely to achieve them. Be more transparent and let them be part of that process. Focus on Social and Emotional wellness. Helping students manage their emotions and working through them.

Fidelis hosted the All House Meeting this month- taught about Mindfulness. Wise Owl, barking Dog. Put the barking dog in the dog house- the wise owl sits on the barking dog until it can calm down. They did role playing and the student house leaders showed what they do, counting, breathing, etc.

Focus this year on social and emotional wellness for students and teachers. Wellness Room - Meadow's Forest - is open! Alisa discussed all the efforts the school is making to meet the social-emotional well-being of all the students, the purpose and protocol of the wellness room and how it can be used as a tool to distinguish if further intervention needs to be met.

Breanne to Rachelle - Do the teachers need an organized Parents Helping Day. Rachelle will ask the teachers if that'd be helpful for them.

Volunteer Spotlight: August's Spotlight was Shannon Parker! Shannon is the definition of amazing! Last year she stepped up to help with the Reflections program and has been going full steam learning and getting the training she needs to provide a fabulous program for Meadow students! She has supported in many areas of the PTA, constantly looking for ways to support the school and works hard to make each program better for the students. She took the lead soliciting many local businesses asking for donations to support our Back to School Membership Drive and gathered many of the fabulous membership drawing prizes some lucky PTA members will win! She is very thoughtful and always willing to step in and help. She has fabulous ideas and we are so grateful to have Shannon as our Individual Development Commissioner leading Reflections this year, as well as, on the membership committee!

We would like to choose a new PTA member to Spotlight every month with the input of the entire PTA. If you have noticed someone you want to nominate for a volunteer of the month let us know who and why!

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you to all of our volunteers who came to the Meadow Day of Service in August, to the teacher clap in, helped with pick up and drop off the first 2 weeks, signing up to be room parents and so so much more. Thank you!

Committee Reports:

Reflections- Shannon Parker - Candace Jones made a video to help introduce Reflections to the students. Shannon introduced the program at the all-house assembly on Monday, August 30. This year's theme is "I will change the world by...." Everything is up and ready to go. Due date for all entries is October 1st. All entries will be submitted online at utahpta.org/ref. Last year we had lots of judges and not enough entries to judge. A large number of our entries moved onto Region, with the highest recognition of all schools at council level. 3 winners at State, 2 going to Nationals. With Covid there was a lower turnout but we are hopeful for a much better turn out. Shannon will reach out with how many and what kind of judges we need after seeing what kind of participation we have. If you have connections to people with backgrounds in Art, music, dance, literature etc, any leads for judges would be appreciated.

Room Parents - Candace Clark- we have room parents for almost everyone, just 2 teachers as of right now need someone. She asked those 2 teachers (Coburn and Douglas) to send an email to her class asking for a volunteer for Room parent. So hopefully those will be filled soon. Texas Roadhouse is donating rolls for our Room Parent Meeting that is scheduled for Wednesday September 8th at 3 pm. The teachers will join us at 3:30, at which point the room parents can meet with their teacher for guidelines, party dates, etc.

SEP Dinners - Erin Abrams has arranged for Texas Roadhouse to cater dinner October 6th at 5 pm.

Volunteer Hours - In order to meet our non-profit status we need to record volunteer hours each year. Please track all volunteer hours. Anytime you come to a meeting, help on a committee, make phone calls for PTA, drive around picking up donations, go on a fieldtrip, volunteer in a classroom, have a babysitter while you are volunteering? Count the sitter's hours too! We turn in the hours 3 times a year in our report to the State PTA. At the PTA convention they present a fake jumbo "check" with the equivalent they would have to pay people to do all the volunteers do.

Volunteering Opportunities & Committee heads & Chairs we need ASAP. - Breanne -

- Fundraising Chair & Committee

- Movie Night Chair & Committee

- Teacher Appreciation Committee, Paige Sullivan signed up to be the chair.

We have given Teacher Appreciation Week a \$1200 budget for the week of teacher appreciation. And an additional \$500 to do a treat or little gift for the teachers each month of the school year.

Candace Clark mentioned there would be a need to replace the supplies in the emergency buckets.

Membership monthly campaigns - every month do something to increase membership.

Come play with PTA (find link and add to this)

Download PTA Membership card on your phone for discounts at places like Office Max.

OUR AWESOME MEMBERSHIP DRAWING WINNERS

6 Zaperoco Gift Cards

- Jordan Anderson
- Kathy Lindeman
- Kelli Johnson
- Jacque Beers
- Cheree Caldwell
- Chela Jenkins

Petit Fours & Purls Gift Bag

- Cindy Hadfield

Scentsy Gift Baskets

- Sarah Buhler
- Rebecca Campbell

Plasma Ball

- Jenny Chase

Planetarium Projector

- Kerri Tanner

Stampin' Up! Gift Box

- Stephanie Hansen

Teton Toys big Horse

- Melina Fredley

Adjourned at 10:40am. Alisa gave a tour of the Wellness Room, aka Meadow's Forest.

President: _____ Date: _____

Secretary: _____ Date: _____