

Arleta PTA General Meeting

May 26, 2021, 6:00-7:15 PM

Attendees: Melissa Sircy, Carry Bowers, Heather Rose Pearson, Melissa Olin, Jen Jacobs, Melissa Rinehimer, Tracy Hulleman, Denise Castañon, Noelle Luchs, Jarod Jacobs, Alyson Kraus, Sheryl Moren, John Horn, Nicole Irish, Sondra Blair, Erin Frank (later), Kelly Becker (a bit later)

A quorum was present.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by PTA Co-President Melissa Sircy at 6:05 PM. We went through introductions.

Minutes: Our minutes from April 13, 2021, were accepted into record without changes. motioned and seconded.

Board Election Vote: No new nominations were brought from the floor. Jen motioned to approve all nominees. Noelle seconded. Motion passed.

The new board officers are: Carrie Bowers and Heather Rose Pearson, co-Presidents; Jarod Jacobs, Vice President; Melissa Rinehimer, Treasurer; Tracy Hulleman, Secretary; Denise Castañon, Member-at-large

Committee Leads/Coordinators: Sheryl Moren, Inclusion Committee Lead; Nicole Irish, Family Engagement Coordinator, Erin Frank, Teacher Appreciation Coordinator and Emergency Preparedness Coordinator; Sondra Blair, Garden Club Coordinator, Melissa Olin, Fundraising Coordinator, Alyson Kraus, Social Media Coordinator; Melissa Sircy, Communications Coordinator

Budget report: We made over \$10,000 this year in fundraising. Thank you Melissa Olin! In the last month we earned \$185 from the Char dine-out; Give Oregon earned \$608; Fred Meyer earned \$448; Bottle Drop earned us \$400.

For tonight, we needed to vote on an increase on the Middle School celebration line item. Carrie made a motion to accept the new budget. Denise seconded. Motion passed.

Jen presented the interim budget for the new school year, so we will have funds in place. Prudent Reserve Funds is a new item. It allows us to have funds available beyond the approved budget to use without bringing a new budget to a vote.

The new Board will present an updated budget in the fall or early winter. Heather Rose motioned to approve the new budget. Carrie seconded.

Side note: The PTA should pay for items directly instead of reimbursing the school. New grants and options are available to schools due to Covid.

Standing Rules: We need to update the Standing Rules to show that we will cover one membership per household. The household must request to join. They can choose to pay, or they can choose to have their dues covered.

Local units must update rules to allow Board members to serve for up to three years.

We will remove the Order of Business as well, as it is antiquated and not useful to our organization.

Carrie motioned to approve the Standing Rules and Jen seconded. The motion carried.

End of Year summary: Melissa shared some PTA accomplishments for the year. They included:

- Garden work party in March.
- Increased faculty grants.
- Connected with local businesses.
- Established inclusion committee.
- Funded books for OBOB teams.
- Coordinated grad planning and purchased gift bags for 230 students.
- Maintained website and facebook groups to keep families informed.
- Curated the yearbook.
- Provided financial support for Black History month activities.
- Funded newsletter subscription and wrote the Dolphin Digest.
- Spread teacher appreciation with gift boxes, pizza lunch, and bulletin board messages.
- Made Honor Roll certificates for high achieving students.

End of Year Celebration: There will be an assembly on Wednesday morning, June 9. On the evening of June 10, there will be a drive-through graduation parade for 8th graders and their families. There will be a photo op area and a gift bag area.

Principal Update:

24 staff members are leaving. Alexis is moving on.

SE Coalition update: What will happen with K-5s? There needs to be Increased use of Lane and Harrison Park. They are both opening at low capacity. Arleta families should pay attention and participate in the process.

In the creation of the Master Schedule, right now, the school is expected to plan for each student to have 3 feet around each child, instead of 6, and we have enough space to accommodate everyone 5 days a week. Lunch may be problematic in keeping the 5-day schedule, because everyone has to take off their masks and need 6 feet.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Signed into record with / without changes on _____.

President

Secretary