Peruvian Park PTA General Meeting
9 November 2023, 7:00–8:00 pm

Executive Committee
President: Mandy Romney
Treasurer: Amanda Heller
Secretary: Kristina Packer

Education VP: Emily Tippetts
Administrative VP: Divya Nagpal
Teacher VP: Andrea Lindquist

Attendees
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Erin Ence
Jamie Maxwell

➢ Opening Remarks; Approve October Meeting Minutes; Budget Report; Teacher Grants
- October minutes approved
  - We had 3 teacher grants come in. Mrs. Smith bought books, incentives & supplies for her class room. Mrs. Kolanko bought Scholastic News. Mrs. Jones (5th grade) bought science project boards. Tammy Gibson, a recess aide, has requested funds for supplies and games to use during indoor recess. It wouldn't be a teacher grant, but we've agreed to help with expenses as a PTA so she's writing up a wish list for us to look at.

➢ Updates
  ○ Book Blitz Jr - Starts 11/10 and is 1x/month on Fridays for now. When the competition gets closer they will do more and most likely do 3x a month right before the competition. We have 30 students signed up so far.
  ○ Speed Cube Club - Starts 12/8 and registration is open now. So far we have 40 students signed up. 75% of them already have their own cube. Some school supply funds from Mrs. Nagpal is going to be used to purchase more. It will be held on the 2nd & 4th Friday's in the morning.
  ○ Panther Apparel - This went out to ALL staff and students. Big thank yous to Amanda Heller, Krystal Reyna & Mrs. Nagpal for their work. Many PTA volunteers came in to support & deliver them all.

➢ Recaps
  ○ Reflections - We ended up with 27 entries. It was mostly 2D art, some literature, music and photography. We had no dance entries this time. The next step is to wait for Council to finalize at their level. Then, once approved we will buy trophies and awards for the winners.

➢ Fundraiser
  - Spell-a-thon is tomorrow. Donations are due next Friday. We need people there to help count money on 11/17. Erin, Mandy & Nicole are going to be there to count donations. We are not sure if there will be an assembly after if they hit the goal. So, we
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will have to figure out some kind of a surprise. Most donations will be submitted online. The office will collect checks and cash donations brought to school.

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➢ Field Trip Budget Amendment – From $6000 to $7200 – we don’t have 10 people to vote on this so have to push it to next month.

➢ Future Clubs/Events
- 2 people have asked for clubs after the budget was already approved which makes it harder to get new ones going. Mandy asked if we should do a club application window at the end of the school year. It was discussed if it should be for PTA or for all the parents. Then, once the application is received, we will go through them and give approval for it to be a club the following year. All parents can submit the application and if it gets approved, that parent has to commit to help start up, run & maintain that club. They also have to be a member of the PTA. Mandy will start working up a club application form.

➢ Monthly Wellness Word – Responsibility (promoted by Crystal Gregory, our Social Worker)
  ○ Spirit Day – Thursday 11/30; wear best or favorite clothes

➢ Service project ideas for December
- HHS has this in their newsletter. They need pasta, pasta sauce, toothpaste and winter coats.
- We could also write letters to public service professionals
- We could do a donation drive of some kind.
- The Sandy City Hall is collecting coats & blankets to give to the underserved and under housed in our community. Jamie Maxwell is going to check to see if there is a deadline. Then, we could ask parents to donate depending on the amount needed to see if more parents want to join in this effort.
- We could collect coats and blankets for a local Road Home.

➢ Teacher Report: Andrea Lindquist – Not in attendance to report

➢ Principal Report: Divya Nagpal – Not in attendance to report

➢ Volunteer opportunities
  ○ Junior Achievement coordinator – this is done mostly behind the scenes and is 1 meeting with the JA person. It is mostly emailing to plan it all.
  ○ Nominating Committee (2 members) for 2024-25 PTA Board positions – We will be voting on this next month. We need 2 general members and 1 board member that is not attending to be the new board member next year.

➢ Other Business: Open Floor – None