

Date: March 7, 2018

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Library

PTM – Parents and Teachers at Meadows **General Meeting Agenda**

Recording Secretary: Holly Brauer

- Minutes approved by the General Meeting attendees – First Lori Takeuchi, second Carrie Lifshitz

Treasurers' Report: Maria Rowell and Lori Takeuchi

- Box Tops revenue are rolled into the "E Scrip & Reward Programs"
- The current budget was approved by the General Meeting attendees – First Holly Brauer, second Carrie Lifshitz

Vice President Spring Fundraiser: Dionne Washington

- El Pollo Loco has generously donated food for the event thanks to the work of Chris Goodfarb.
- A request was made for the general attendees to look for donations for the event.
- Tickets are now available on the PTM website. Before 4/1, tickets are \$35, after 4/1, tickets are \$45, and at the door, tickets are \$50. Teacher tickets are \$20 and parents may donate toward teacher tickets.

Communications Secretary: Nicole Lynch

- The February Med-O-Gram went out on February 1, 2018.

Committee Reports

Restaurant night: Kathryn Majors

- Camp Social was held on March 6 and drew a good turnout with donation of 25% of proceeds to PTM.
- Shake Shack was in February. No donation check has been received yet.
- Lou Malnati's Pizzeria night will be held on March 26, 2018.
- Snack shack is doing well. March is Camp Friendly Pines. Sunflower seeds are now in stock in honor of base/softball season. Working on possibly bringing in nachos. Hours now include weekday and Saturday evenings during base/softball season.

Teacher Appreciation: Jennie Elser and Angel Conaway

- Pie Day is coming up on March 14, 2018.
- Teacher Appreciation Day is coming up in May.

Disability Awareness Committee: Blaire Hinks

- March is Intellectual Disability month. World Down Syndrome day is in March.
- A great video will soon be shown on the monitor in the lunchroom.

Box Tops: Sadie Jo Smokey-Crews

- The Spring Box Top submission earned the PTM \$100.
- Mr. Lamb's class brought in the most Box Tops, so his class will be winning Snack Shack tickets.

8th Grade Commencement: Amanda Adams

- This year the water day party will be held at the Kroc Center at Phoenix South Mountain. A question was asked as to how this location was found. The eighth grade teachers are excited about this location and it costs less and offers more activities than the Arizona Grand.
- Graduation will be held in the new Madison Center for the Arts at 7:30 PM. A shuttle will be available for families who have to park off campus.

PBIS Store: Tanya Pinkerton

- Moved to the new location in the new building and recently received new inventory.

Camp Friendly Pines: Chris Goodfarb

- See's Fundraiser is coming to an end this week.
- A parent meeting was held recently with poor turnout. Ms. Cohen is hoping that more parents will volunteer to chaperone at the event.
- The Culver's fundraiser earned \$125.

Presidents' Report: Leeann Spangler and Carrie Lifshitz

- Yearbook Parent Recognition ads are for sale at yearbookforever.com.
- Officers and Committee Chairs for next year are in need. Please update binders if you are moving on to a new role or leaving the PTM in the 2018-2019 school year.
- Hard copy directories are not going to be available this year. Any family that paid \$5 for this year's directory will be reimbursed their money. There is a possibility that an online directory could be available. Carrie Lifshitz and Chris Goodfarb will be working on this.
- Experience Meadows will be held on March 14, 2018 at Simis at 5:30 PM.
- Future 5th Grader Night will be held on May 10, 2018 at 5:30. The IB Exhibition Night is held on this night too and will allow families to see the 8th grader's projects. The PTM is in need of lots of volunteer help. This event is being modeled after the Sunnyslope High school Future Freshman Night. Blue Orthodontics will be donating refreshments for the attendees.
- Camp Friendly Pines (CFP) will be held in late August in 2018. As a result of this, fundraising for CFP will be in full swing thru the end of the 2017-2018 school year.
- A request has been made to the District office to see if painted lines can be placed on the basketball courts to allow for more sports to be played.
- Meadows had one Odyssey of the Mind (OM) team advance to the State OM tournament.
- Dr. Baca, former Superintendent in Tempe, has been hired as the new Madison School District Superintendent.
- Meadows is in need of additional Chromebooks for students in the library. This purchase would be for 36 additional Chromebooks and a charging cart. The cost would be approximately \$11,000. This would be a new line item on the Budget and pulled from PTM savings. The Meadows goal is to eventually have a 1:1 Chromebook to Student ratio. This request was approved and passed by the General Meeting attendees.
- A Vaping Informational Session is being pulled together thru the Maricopa County Smoke Free Arizona and will be presented to all students and teachers, with a parent session available too. This is a free program to Meadows and will be held after the General PTM Meeting in April.
- A CPR Class opportunity was discussed. Leeann will work with the organization that reached out to the PTM to get this set up.

Teacher Report: Matt Goff, Ryan Lamb, and Amber Bradshaw

- Nothing to report this month from 5th or 6th grade.
- Fourth quarter is almost upon us. A request was made that parents stay on top of their student's grades.
- Testing is coming up in April and students seem to be ready for it.
- A lot of projects are coming due in the fourth quarter, so a request was made that parents help keep their students on top of this too.

Principal Report: Pat Carney

- Meadows has a new temporary Music teacher. A decision was made to separate Band and Music to two different teachers. The hope is that this will enable both the students and teachers to finish the fourth quarter strong. A new teacher who teaches both, will be hired for the 2018-2019 school year.
- There is a definite vaping issue going on at Meadows this year. Administration has been unable to catch students in the act. The breezeway bathrooms may be closed in an effort to deter this activity.
- New furniture will be arriving over spring break and will be distributed to classrooms.
- The Science classrooms will be open and moved into during spring break.
- There was a lock down drill held recently that went well. The difference between a lock down (issue on campus) and lock out (issue off campus) drill was discussed. A request was made by Meadows librarian, Maria Rowell, that parents encourage students to take these sorts of drills seriously in order to be prepared should there be a real emergency.
- This year's graduating class will be receiving an IB embossment on their diplomas as long as students meet established guidelines, have passing grades, etc.
- Meadows' administration is looking into the possibility of being able to broadcast the morning announcements online to parents who are interested and/or would like to watch them.
- A parent raised the request to possibly hold an informational session on campus for students that would address school shootings, dangers on campus, etc.
- A potential gun danger threat was overheard by students on campus and was brought to Mrs. Carney and Mr. Merrill. Students were interviewed by administrators and the Phoenix Police Department. The student who made the threats is currently on school suspension as a result. A letter authored by the Madison School District legal counsel was sent home to parents addressing the issue. Parents were unhappy over the response from Meadows and requested additional information be shared regarding the incident.

Meeting Adjournment

Next meeting April 4, 2018