October 10, 2023

**NWGMS PTSO Executive Board/Committee Chair Meeting Notes**

Attendance: Dr. Evans, Mr. Lynch, Jessica Clements, Carla Mateer, Shay Barwick, Kathy Hartman, Rachael Foy, Mrs. Francisco

* Welcome *Shay Barwick*
* Approval of last meeting’s minutes & Old Business - approved!

**-**Staff Celebration for Exceeding Growth-

*Thank you to the hospitality group and all the donations!*

**-**General Membership Meeting

*budget was approved and passed*

**-**SkyZone Night

**-** *waiting to receive a check*

**-**Viking Cash Crusade Concluded

**-** *this was the 8th year doing the VCC, we may want to think about doing something different in the spring*

* Budget Updates *Kathy Hartman*
* *Budget was approved; because we didn’t make as much through VCC this year we did have to cut some*
* *Hopefully we can do some additional fundraisers in the spring*
* New Business/Committee Reports

**-**Mini-Grants (October) *Executive Board*

*- Will be getting started soon*

**-**Hospitality *Jessica Clements, Erin Travland*

*-Fall Charcuteries this Thursday*

*-Nov 21 – Fall Breakfast for lunch*

*-Dec 21- holiday lunch – burger bar; will have a bean burger option*

*-Meal for Teacher Appreciation Week*

**-**Beautification *Lauren Bankston*

**-**Membership (teacher badges arrive soon!) *Jennifer Smith*

*-About half of the teachers have joined; Jennifer left the stickers in the teacher mailboxes for those who have joined*

*-80 family memberships*

*- Some schools charge $10 or $15; maybe we consider lowering our membership fees next year*

*-*Fundraising/Cash Crusade *Alicia Nelson*

- *Talked about ideas for the spring:*

*- instead of doing a direct drive; maybe we should sell items*

*- ideas: Chocolate bar sales, wrapping paper*

*- maybe next year do vertical raise (kids are encouraged to give emails to ask for donations)*

*- May want to do something during book fair week*

*- May do a blood drive to help build community*

*- Maybe spaghetti dinner*

*- Community yard sale - we could charge people for rental and people could donate items – we could maybe do it in the high school parking lot; maybe in the springtime*

*- There is an option for booster with limited fees*

- *Lynch suggested a Teacher calendar*

*- Teachers should hold on to receipts for reimbursement*

*- 50/50 raffles – we could do this at home games; there might be some rules that we need to look into; would be great to do this during basketball; would be good to try it at one game and see how it works; cheerleaders can help sell*

*- Spirit wear sales at home games*

*- We could do a sign-up for kids dressing up during the holiday; there is going to be something like this for United Way in the Spring*

**-**Sponsor *Megan Dyson*

*- Megan is calling businesses; if you think of any please reach out to let Megan know*

*- DHS construction – would like to be a donor – please contact*

**-**Communications Carla Mateer

- *If you have things you would like to post please share them with Carla*

*- Admin and Lynch will also share and send to teachers as well*

**-**Spirit Wear (Oct 10 6-7:30 pm, Oct. 11) *Paige Riordon, Dana Angel, Carla Mateer*

- *Will be sold tonight at 8th grade curriculum night and tomorrow at the football game make sure to not pull tables for the commons set up ; maybe use the lunch tables if needed*

*- Could we do a limited sale for things like pink (breast cancer), tye dye and neon; kids could wear these for high school spirit nights too*

**-**Spotlight (Oct. 13) *Kathy Hartman*

*- The first one is on Friday- please try to sign-up if you can*

*Date change – will do one December 15th and not March 15th*

*(there will not be any administrators here on December 15th but the counselors will be available )*

**-**Food Drive/Advocacy (Oct. 9-13) *Rachael Foy*

*- Started this week; will send Shawna Phelps and Morgan info for morning announcements – try to send the day before*

**-**Book Fair(Spring) *Paige Riordon, Dana Angel, Hannah Adams, Tessa Kriegler*

**-**8th Grade Ceremony Decor/EOY Grade Level Celebrations *Audrey Ellis, Jennifer Smith, Carla Mateer*

**-**8th Grade Dance *Erin Travland*

**-**Bday Signs *Dana Angel*

**-**Viking Quarterly Awards *Carrie McDonald, Dara Barnes*

 *- will do a Rice Krispie treat for the 1st quarter*

* Administration & Teacher Representative Updates *Denise Francisco, Greta Martin, Ben Davis, James Lynch*

*We are thankful for all the good work this year*

*May do another spirit week; GCS wide spirit week next week*

* Announcements

**-REMINDER:** All board members and committee chairs need to register as PTSO members, pay $20 dues and register online as GCS volunteers. [www.nwmsptso.org/join-the-ptso](http://www.nwmsptso.org/join-the-ptso) [www.gcsvolunteers.com](http://www.gcsvolunteers.com)

* Adjournment