Carriage Crest PTSA General Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 4, 2018 - 7:00pm–8:00pm Carriage Crest Elementary School

Executive Board Attendees: Amanda Krohn, Kara Veach, Lisa Steichen, Danielle Price **Guests:** 9 Guests

Call to Order

Meeting Minutes

• **Motion #1**: A motion was presented to approve the meeting minutes from the Carriage Crest PTSA General Meeting on December 7th. Motion received a second and approval.

Treasurer's Report

• The treasurer reviewed the budget report

Event Feedback

Holiday Gift Shop

- The students really enjoyed this!
- Notes for next year:
 - This could be done two days instead of one day.
 - Try to work with an organization that specializes in these holiday shops for students.

Cookie Swap

• The teachers really appreciated this. Everything was delicious!

Cherrydale Fundraiser

- Everyone received their items.
- Notes for next year:
 - There are a lot of tools available on the Web site that the PTSA can use to help with communication and promotion
 - It would be great for students to see the prizes beforehand to encourage them to promote the fundraiser

Fundraisers

General Comments

- One member suggested diversifying the fundraisers during the holidays. It can be a tough time to ask students and their families for money during the holiday season.
- One member suggested a fundraiser event where they can just write a check to the PTSA.

Future Fundraisers

- Spiritwear with Cherrydale will be out on February 1st
 - \circ $\;$ There will be no profit for the PTSA in order to keep prices low
 - There is scholarship money available for students and their families who want shirts, but can't afford them
 - Someone needs to check in with Sherri Foster and make sure that the scholarship money is noted on the flyers

Walk-a-thon

- This is intended to replace Field Day
- The school staff is still discussing this

Read-a-thon

• No Read-a-thon is scheduled for this year.

Fundraising Idea

- H&R Block is offering coupons with a discount for new clients
 - For those interested in signing up as new clients, the Carriage Crest PTSA will receive \$20 for each person who signs up
- The PTSA member working for H&R Block gave a disclaimer and recused herself from discussion, but everyone present agreed that it would be OK to pass out the coupons to parents
- These coupons will be sent out in Thursday folders

Comments for the PTSA

Communication

- Communication needs to be better
 - The PTSA lost their communication coordinator several weeks ago, and they are still looking for someone to fill the position.
 - Danielle will start sending out an evite reminder again (as was done by the previous PTSA Secretary) to all PTSA members a week before the PTSA General meetings
- A member volunteered to help with Facebook communication

Moving Forward Together

- Mr. Gallagher did a presentation about Propositions 1 and 2
 - Information about these propositions were included in the January 2018 newsletter, which was sent through Skyward on January 4th.
- The special election is on February 13, 2018
- The PTSA encourages everyone to go out and vote!

<u>Membership</u>

- The Carriage Crest PTSA has 227 members
- The PTSA was entered in a membership contest
 - We need two more people to sign up for more entires

Founder's Day

- There is a banquet and awards ceremony for schools in the district
- Sherri Foster is helping out with this
- Nancy Tom will get more information about this

ACTION ITEMS

- <u>We encourage everyone to vote on February 13th</u>.
- Danielle Price will send out an evite reminder to all PTSA member one week before the PTSA General meeting
- Someone needs to check in with Sherri Foster and make sure that the scholarship money is noted on the flyers
- Nancy Tom will get more information about Founder's Day

Upcoming Events

Thursday, January 25th, 7:00pm–8:00pm: Carriage Crest PTSA Executive Board Meeting Thursday, February 1st, 7:00pm–8:00pm: Carriage Crest General PTSA Meeting