

# Shirley Hills PTA Meeting Agenda March 21st, 2022

## Welcome

**Attendance:** Andrew Reinitz, Leanna Koepp, Christine Lambert, Kari Martinson, Trisha Robinson, Caroline Suttle, Trqacy Hvezda-Lehtola, Holly Staples, Erica Navickas, Betsy Christian, Megan Cegla

**Approval of Minutes** Kari and Caroline

## Share our Success

Skating Night

Everyone seemed to have a lot of fun! Kids loved it.

Culvers Night

VERY busy. Very successful. \$5500 in sales from the event – so we raised \$1100. Food took up to an hour to get. Most people were fine, but some were a bit upset. Come up with ideas on how to help pace the crowd a little more. Maybe split up in time frames by grade or split up into multiple days. Regular patrons did not all know the event was happening so when the food took that long, it didn't make them happy. Volunteers can help more with ice cream to help out staff – they allowed us to help with that.

Pastries for Parents

Super successful, tons of people. Had to go grab more food. Kids loved it and having their parents there. May have been more heavily attended since more parents work from home. Maybe do a sign-up genius to get some RSVP. A better head count would be super helpful for the future years. Make coffee an hour ahead – it takes a long time to brew!

## Principal Report

He is now coaching, so may not be at all future meetings the next couple.

Events this month were super successful!

Fire trucks will be coming through the lots – students will get to wave and hold signs! Last time was 1974.

Almost to spring break, and when we are back we go into MCA testing. A lot of staffing needs during this. Students break out into smaller groups and need more staff. After these, then FAST testing. Then Wolf Ridge. Then Super Team Day. Then end of year.

Students are starting to really seem like growing up – ready for next school year.

Kindness Retreat – 4<sup>th</sup> graders. Kids open up more to older high school students. Hard to find volunteers because all of the students want to be at the game. Kids are very excited.

## Lhotka Report

Starting to adjust to covid protocols. Returned to line at lunch! Lunches are still being paid for through end of year – unless a parent comes in, then they need to pay for their own.

Visitors are now starting to be allowed back in the school! Concerts are coming back! Grade 2 and 3 will be having their concert on April 7<sup>th</sup>.

## Teacher Report

Meals were very much appreciated! Culvers night looked like a blast and students loved it.

Pastries for parents was super fun! Students are loving that there have been activities again outside of school with their friends! 4<sup>th</sup> graders have a lot on their mind with wolf ridge and 5<sup>th</sup> grade coming! Busy getting ready for MCA and testing.

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## Board Reports

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
  - Collected readathon money! VERY successful! (>\$7,500)
  - Received more money for conference meals.
  - Starting to pay for Carnival items. (Prizes and raffle items)
  - Paid for monthly childcare.
  - Purchased headphones for the media center.
  - Operating expenses this time were the PayPal fees.
  - Paid for pastries for parents.

## Chairperson Reports

Evereve – May 12<sup>th</sup> 6-9pm snacks and beverages

WAC Family Day - \$105 for three lifeguards, need to write a check out and deliver  
If we want the bounce house, it is free, but one adult needs to be there for the entire 2.5 hours.  
Find volunteers for this. Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1:15-3:45. Email PTA members/social media to volunteer – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade parents can get volunteer hours too! We need to separate sports in gyms so it isn't a free for all and has a bit more control.

Adventures in Art – starting to order items for the origami and get the projects figured out this. Fun history behind it as well. Can be fun and educational. April 15<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> – in the classrooms. Some teachers may not participate as there is a lot going on. Regardless, every student will get to bring home the paper and print out! Email about this for volunteers as well.

## Yearbook Update

Been taking lots of photos! Deadline is coming up – going to send out a couple more emails. Budgeted to purchase 52 for those who didn't order, plus \$5 per book that has been ordered to help cost of purchasing additional (currently at 166).

## Old Business

### Carnival

- Banner – new logo and big banners coming! On our field and the middle school
- Games –
  - Lifetouch won't do a booth for free. Thinking we will set up a selfie photobooth back drop.
  - Trying to use WACs bounce house. Waiting to hear
  - SUG – really hard to get the volunteer. Separate the monetary donation needs and the in person help we need.
  - Bray – use her room as a prize room?
  - Pet booth has already been set up!! Teachers already doing it!
- Food –
  - Pizza plan is in place! Papa murphys in mound closed, so getting from Waconia (same owner too!). There is a \$1 difference in price per pizza this year with costs going up.
  - Snow cone machine is being donated for use

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- Cotton Candy machine is being donated
- Bruce at concessions said we can use the cheese warmer
- Popcorn – was donated last year already popped which makes it easier if we can do this again
- Looking for someone to help out in the kitchen – will be a small cost
- Pizza, pretzels with cheese, hot dogs,
- Checking in on root beer floats (Webb)
- Change licorice to a prize
- Mini Donut guy is no longer in biz but got a new contact from him. May just rent a machine though, we will see.
- Prizes
  - Trying to figure out how many tokens we need.
  - Preview signs for what is available to help kids decide faster on what they want.
  - Need to finalize the prizes – any ideas let us know!
- Raffle
  - \$300 Cash
  - 4 tickets to valleyfair, parking and \$100 GC
  - WAC annual membership bought for \$100 and actual cost is \$549
- Silent Auction
  - Bidding owl – student teacher experiences are being put in.
  - 25% of amazon wish list has been purchased so far – being sent out on Friday
  - Set up a couple computers for bidding owl bidding
  - Advertise on screens outside of the Silent Auction
  - Need volunteers for handing out items to winners at the end (8-9pm?)
  - Grade level concerts are a go for the auction, grandparents not as of now will be offered

Camping on the roof – May 13<sup>th</sup>?? Checking to be sure

## **New Business**

## **Upcoming Events & Announcements**

Next Meeting 4/5/2022 NOTE DATE/DAY CHANGE-THIS IS A TUESDAY; BUILD CARNIVAL PACKETS!!!

- 3/25-4/1 Friday-Friday: No School/Spring Break
- 4/15 & 4/18: Adventures in Art
- 4/15: Silent Auction going live
- 4/22 Friday: Carnival 5p-9p
- Spring Spirit Wear Store – right after spring break go live
- May 5<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade concert
- April 7<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade concert

Adjourn Kari and Caroline