



Gates Chili Middle School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Meeting Minutes for October 29, 2019 General Meeting

7:00pm – 8:00pm Gates Chili Middle School Library

ATTENDANCE

Executive Board Present: Mark DeGray, Tracy Dalykas; Bryan Arthmann, Paula Arthmann, Kristen Kruspe, Dr. Lisa Buckshaw, Jennifer Gelfuso

Executive Board Absent: None

Other Attendee's: Christina Delorenzo

Meeting call to Order at 7: 03pm by Mark

Review of September 17, 2019 Meeting Minutes. Motion made and seconded to approve minutes as printed & distributed. **Motion Approved - Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 0**

TREASURER REPORT

- Reviewed September 2019 Financial Statement. Motion made and seconded to approve Financial statement for September 2019. **Motion Approved - Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 0**
- Christina Delorenzo will be conducting our 2018/2019 Financial Statement's yearly audit.
- Request for Funds: Request by PTO to spend \$400.00 for the purchase of Turkeys for the Thanksgiving Baskets that will be distributed to Families. Motion made and seconded to spend. **Motion Approved - Yes: 8, No: 0, Abstain: 0**

OLD BUSINESS

- T-shirts for the incoming 6th Graders and new to District Students delivered. Cost of \$2,600.00 (10/2019).
- Spartan Wear delivered Thursday 10/24/2019. Estimated cost \$2,290.00 PTO Profit \$332.00.
- Fall Fundraiser, Cherrydale, sales: \$15,800.00. Profit: \$6,800.00, 50% to the students.
- Fundraiser distribution/pick up 11/7/2019. Peer Ambassadors to help?? – Dr. Buckshaw will reach out to Peer Ambassador Coordinator to see if there are some Peer Ambassador's that can assist.

NEW BUSINESS

- Reviewed 2019/2020 PTO Budget. Updates discussed. Will revise and add to November 2019 agenda.
- Review of ByLaws:
 - Bylaws were in need of a review and update. Last ones were done in 2005/2006.



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- need updated ByLaws for 501C3 designation application.
- Add an ExOfficio for President role for one additional year.
- Mark DeGray to make final changes and will present for approval at November 2019 Meeting.

CSIC UPDATES

- CSIC Team is now known as District Improvement Team (DIT)
- Middle School DIT Representatives are Dr. Buckshaw and Mr. Tavalares
- Focusing on honors this year. Recognition of different, behind the scenes groups in the Schools. Ex: Bus Drivers, Cafe staff and Custodians.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAM (SIT) UPDATES

- Middle School DIT Representative is Mr. Tavalares
- Discussed Spartan Circle and a games night

PRINCIPAL UPDATES

- Red Ribbon Week 10/28 to 11/1/2019
- Wednesday is mismatch day
- Thursday is Halloween, students may wear costumes, (admin staff will be construction workers).
- 6th Grade Social is Friday 11/1/2019
- Monday 11/11/19 is Veterans Day, No School
- Musical--The Wizard of Oz is 11/13 to 11/15
- Report Cards will be made available on Parent Portal on Friday 11/15/2019 and mailed home the week of 11/18/2019
- Counselors are working with the 6th Grade Students to help them understand their 5-week grades to get a better understanding of their grades
- Capital Project is moving along well

OPEN DISCUSSION

- PTO Insurance Policy, Mark and Tracy are going to look into new policy options.
- Policy to be renewed by 12/22/2019

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.