

Our Sequoia Community

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MINUTES

Courtney Odden called the meeting to order at 9:01am

Executive Board Officers in attendance: Courtney Odden, Shannon Myers, Lara Vineyard, Angie Bales, and Tanya Schultz

Total Attendance: 15

VOTE: Shannon Myers moved to approve the minutes from the October 2015 General Meeting held on October 2nd, 2015; Lara Vineyard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Principal Report:

Ms. Leiper stated that last year's AZ Merit test results will be sent home by the 13th of November. SUSD was way above the state average for this pilot test. The AZ Merit tests have a higher set of expectations than the AIMS tests and therefore a higher score is needed to pass.

Kindergarten round up was a success, a classroom has already been filled based on the registration from that evening. A second round up will be held in the spring as normal.

Mrs. Payne is here and working with all classrooms to reach the high achievers. Her work with 5th graders is called the Explorers Club.

All teachers have had 2 training sessions towards their gifted endorsements.

President:

December 2nd, Not My Kid will be giving a cyber safety presentation to parents. This evening event will also include a roundtable with Ms. Leiper and the APT.

Shannon Myers/Treasurer:

Budget looks good and is in line. The APT made more money this year at Western Round Up than in past years.

Angela Bales/Hospitality:

Sequoia Glows goes live for online ticket purchases. There will be one bus with three tour times, there are 55 spots per tour.

Lara Vineyard/Communications:

The Crisis Communications Plan is adding text alerts to the system. Make sure the school has a current phone number for you on file. In an emergency, please do not contact the main office.

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Lisa Kanarish/Community Relations:

McTeacher Nite was a success. Sequoia made \$547.00 versus the \$387.00 made last year.

Angel Tree will kick off on November 20th, 2015 and there are 130+ kiddos in need of some holiday cheer.

Chanen Brizuela/Fundraising:

The Silent Auction goes LIVE for bidding on Monday, November 8th, 2015! There are over 180 items and over \$60,000 in donations to Sequoia. The last day of the auction is on Friday, November 20th, 2015.

Book Fair begins Monday, November 09, 2015 with Penny Wars between classrooms and the books go on sale on Tuesday, November 17th, 2015. The book fair will also be open during parent teacher conferences until 5:00pm.

Stallion Bucks has added smaller denomination gift cards for popular places starting at \$5.00 and \$10.00. Also, American Girl store has been newly added to the Stallion Bucks available for purchase. Happy Shopping!

Courtney Odden/Legislative Update:

11/18/15 is the next Parent Council Meeting at Mohave, the discussion is on the AZ Merit testing.

All override and bond elections did pass.

Lara Vineyard/Cultural Enrichment:

Teenage exchange students are looking for families interested in hosting them for a long weekend. Sign up early to have a student in your home that speaks the language your student is currently studying.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24am