

Sandpiper Boosters, Inc. Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 25, 2023 at 8:00 a.m., Central time
Teacher's Lounge

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:58 a.m.

Members Present

Jamie Lynn, Jennifer Gray, Ashley Templeton, Miranda Jordan, Melissa Lott, Nick Whitehurst, Principal Carrie Chavers

Approval of Agenda

The board reviewed the agenda. Jamie Lynn made the first motion to approve. Ashley Templeton seconded.

Approval of Minutes

The board reviewed the minutes. Jamie Lynn made the first motion to approve. Ashley Templeton seconded.

Old and New Business

Teacher Appreciation Week - Jamie Lynn reminded everyone that Teacher Appreciation begins next Monday, May 1st. Mingle is scheduled for setup on Sunday, 4/30 and the board will also decorate the school's hallway, stage, entry, teacher's lounge and Mrs. Chavers's office at that time. The weekly schedule is finalized regarding gifts, gift cards, flowers, caterers, volunteers for each day and decorations.

Fifth Grade Celebration and Fun Day - Miranda Jordan discussed the budget and specific needs for the 5th grade fun day and graduation ceremony which included two bounce houses, balloon garlands, a photographer and approximately 300 cookies. Both 5th grade and Kindergarten will need to stay within a \$1,500.00 collective budget. Jamie Lynn made a motion to approve the \$1500 budget. Ashley Templeton seconded.

Kindergarten Celebration - Jamie Lynn stated that details are to be determined and will be discussed at a later date.

Mother's Day Mingle - Jamie Lynn stated that The Citizen is available as a potential venue, but she is waiting to receive a price per person. The Boosters have a \$1,000.00 budget for this event. A rough headcount will also determine location for the event. The Citizen has a 75 person capacity.

Budget Update - Jennifer Gray stated that the Boosters bank balance as of April 25th was \$130,000.00. We will be using \$70,000.00 on the new sunshades and pavilion and will also have expenses coming out in April and May for the new Sandpiper hoodie merchandise, Kindergarten and 5th grade graduation events and Mother's Day Mingle. Jennifer stated that our goal is to roll \$40,000.00 over for the 23-24 school year. Boosters also plan to gift each teacher \$300-\$400 for the 23-24 school year to use in their classroom. Jennifer also stated that Boosters received \$407.00 in proceeds from Coast Hippiie merchandise sales for the months of January, February and March.

FAST/STAR Test Snacks - Jennifer Gray stated that FAST and STAR testing snacks assembly will be finished by 4/25.

Finish Line - Miranda Jordan suggested Boosters provide dinner for the teachers and faculty during Finish Line night at DLE. Jamie Lynn is looking into a potential sponsor for the dinner.

Sun Shades Proposals - Nick Whitehurst came to give an update on the Sun Shades. Principal Chavers, Jill Smith from district office and Nick Whitehurst all met, reviewed and narrowed the proposals down to a few presented. These proposals include shades for the garden area, the outdoor classroom area, the sandy hills area and the small back playground area. Nick stated that he was getting one final proposal revised and together for Boosters to approve so we can move forward with the order and installation process. The four proposals all together average \$72,000.00 total in expenses. Nick is working to get us a \$2,000.00 discount in hopes to use the remaining budget towards picnic tables. He is getting a separate estimate for the tables and looking at SSE Supplies and ULine.

Principal's Report - Principal Carrie Chavers came to discuss 2023-2024 school planners, Finish Line and potential Booster funding for DLE students attending the National Science Bee. Regarding the 23-24 planners, Carrie stated we can get them cheaper if purchased early. Dune Lakes is projected to need 500 planners for 3rd through 5th grades. The binders will also be changing to heavy duty Avery binders averaging \$3.00 per binder. Kindergarten through 2nd is projected to need 525 new classroom folders with a calendar sleeve averaging \$2.39 a piece. The total will be approximately \$2,700.00 for both binders and folders purchased. Jamie Lynn motioned to approve the \$2,700.00 expense. Ashley Templeton seconded.

Principal Chavers gave the date and times for DLE's upcoming Finish Line event. The event will take place Thursday, May 11th. Kindergarten through 2nd grade will attend 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. and 3rd through 5th will attend 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. The Boosters will use Marco's to cater dinner for the teachers and faculty that evening.

Principal Chavers also stated that three DLE students participated in the regional science bee and have advanced to the National Science Bee in Arlington, VA. Each student must pay a \$145 registration fee to attend and compete. Boosters are waiting on clarification from the District office and if needed will discuss and vote on covering the registration expenses.

Next Sandpiper Boosters Executive Meeting Date - Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

New 23-24 Board Meeting - Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

Dismissal

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.