

PALM VALLEY ACADEMY PTO GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

DATE: January 13, 2020

LOCATION: PVA Cafeteria

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: Jill D'Amato

TIME: 6:06 PM

ATTENDANCE: 12 members, 12 non-members and 4 board members

- 1.) Call to order
- 2.) Establish if quorum is present – Yes
- 3.) Review of meeting minutes from December meeting (www.pvapto.org)
- 4.) Old Business
 - a. Upcoming Events
 - i. Be the Change Campaign (Penny Wars) – January 13th – 17th
 1. Penny Wars to benefit Hugs Across the County (help children in need)
 - ii. Basketball Game @ Landrum – January 15th
 - iii. Club Pics for Yearbook – January 14th
 - iv. MLK Day – No School – January 20th
 - v. Basketball @ Mill Creek – January 23rd
 - vi. Literacy Week – January 27th – 30th
 - vii. FSA Parent Night – January 27th
 - viii. Class Pics for Yearbook – January 28th
 - ix. Basketball Game @ PVA vs Gamball Rogers – January 28th
 - x. Vocabulary Parade – January 30th
 - xi. Basketball Game @ PVA vs Freedom Crossing – January 30th
 - xii. Inservice Day – No School – January 31st
 - xiii. Soup Day – February 3rd
 - xiv. Upper School Spring Dance – February 7th (Through the Decades Theme)
 - xv. Spirit Store – February 13th 2-4PM
 - b. The Ray Team of Watson Realty – Special Thanks for the Generous Donation!
 - i. Every time they close on a house in Nocatee, they give \$150 from that sale to the PVA PTO.
 - c. Bobcat Bolt Fundraising Update
 - i. Outdoor Classroom Complete!
 1. An amazing space with tables to hold 30 children to serve as an outdoor classroom or earn outdoor lunch.
 - ii. Activity Pad Scheduled for Install MLK Weekend
 - iii. Devices for the Classrooms Expected to be Placed by End of February
 1. 180 laptops were purchased.
 - iv. Water Fountains Update and Next Steps

1. Looking to install water fountains on the upper school side and the opposite side. Working through PPOF approval through district and need to raise additional funds at Gala to cover the installation.
- d. Gala Update (proceeds for field trip shirts / planners / water fountains / teacher development and minigrants)
 - i. Inaugural Gala. Theme is Fire and Ice.
 - ii. Fun parents night out on February 21 including food, dancing, DJ, photo booth
 - iii. ~200 tickets available and ticket sales will open soon
 - iv. There will be an online auction so you can bid whether or not you're at the event.
 - v. Funds will close the gap on the water fountains and budget for next year's startup.
 - vi. Donations are still being accepted as well as sponsorships. Please contact: sarajohannabolden@gmail.com
- 5.) New Business
- a. 2020-2021 Elections – email nominations to Matt Underwood at election@pvapto.org
 - i. Elections to be held in April. Nominations in by end of March's PTO meeting
 - ii. Looking for nominations for:
 - a. Co-President
 - b. Vice President – Lower and Upper School
 - c. Recording Secretary
 - d. Corresponding Secretary
 - iii. We are also looking for committee chairs and committee members
 - iv. Let us know if you are interested!
- 6.) Questions
- a. What is the cost of field trip shirts AND planners? ~\$22K based this year's multiple unique color per grade shirt scenario and grade requirements for planners.
 - b. Are there ways to reduce cost? We are working with administration to reduce the number of colors – perhaps one for upper school and one for lower school – so that we can purchase in bulk and reduce the overall cost for field trip shirts. Also discussing the use/need of the planners for certain grades to see if this stays a requirement.
 - c. Do the kids keep the shirts? Yes with the intent of reuse and/or passing down to others to reduce number needed for the following year.
 - d. Is there a way field trip shirts could be purchased after school starts? We waited until September to place order this year, which was the latest we could wait and still get the shirts in on time for the first field trip
- 7.) Parents KNOWmore Social Media Presentation with Susan Wind
- 8.) **Next general meeting February 10th at 9AM (Cafeteria)**

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 8:00 PM By Jill D'Amato

MINUTES COMPILED BY: Anne Chance, Recording Secretary