

CGS PTO Meeting

**** DRAFT MINUTES ** October 9, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm via Zoom.

Members present: Olga Janicki, Christina Merideth, Kristen Garvie, Michael and Elsa Lewis, Mona Jani, Carol Schaller, Rachele Shields, Kareen Johnson, Debra Caffrey, Hanifa Smith, Lynda Francis, Kathrina Urann, Alexea Juliano, Selina Bautista

Secretary's Report (Kristen Garvie):

- Lynda Francis made a motion to approve the September minutes, and Christina Merideth seconded the motion. They were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report (Christina Merideth):

- The balance in the checking account is \$12,389
- The balance in the savings account is \$3,271.11
- We just made a \$2000 deposit for the senior recognition ceremony
- We filed 2022 taxes

Membership (Alexea Juliano)

- We currently have 303 members
- Riverbend won the membership drive, and Alexea will arrange a date for an ice cream party. Aman Naveed volunteered on behalf of Vocelli Pizza to sponsor the difference in the cost from budget.

Merchandise Report (Suzanne Haskell not present; Christina gave report)

- We are waiting on a new design and will open the store when it arrives

Director's Report (Jennifer Grigsby not available)

Old Business:

- Fall Social is coming up on October 22. Rachele Shields reported that the sign-up sheet is mostly full. Belvedere is allowing us to sell tickets at the door for last-minute attendees, but we are keeping our deadline of October 18 for ticket sales.
- There is still a link up on the CGS PTO site for purchase of Fall Social tickets.

New Business:

- Masquerade Ball is set for February 24; venue and DJ have both been booked.
- Ruby got a membership at Eagles Lodge and therefore we will save \$400 on cost.
- Ruby and Yohanna are creating a wish list of decorations they hope will be donated because we only have a small box available. In the meantime, if there are any parents or businesses that can donate decorations, please reach out to Ruby (cottrellkjs80@live.-com) or Yohanna (yohannaedalmasi@gmail.com). In the meantime, they will be looking for people to join their committee.
- There was a question about math tutor and several members offered suggestions.

Committee Reports

- Alexea gave the Colonial Forge teachers Starbucks gift certificates.
- Rachelle is giving Riverbend teachers baskets of apples and apple products from Carter Mountain orchard.

Kudos and Good News:

- Lynda Francis shared that her son is a member of Chancellor's marching band and they won first place in their division at a competition at JMU last weekend.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm. Next meeting is November 13, 2023 at 7pm via Zoom.

Minutes prepared by Kristen Garvie