

Schallenberger Home and School Association Membership Meeting Minutes February 8, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m. Virtual WebEx Meeting

1. <u>Call to Order</u>: 6:32 pm.

Officers present: Tayesa Knight (President), Nadege Vatton Raclot (Treasurer), Elise Roussel (Secretary). Quorum present.

2. Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda by Leila Manning. Nadege Vatton-Raclot seconds the motion. Agenda approved unanimously as written. No opposed. No abstentions. No additional items to add to the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes from meeting in January by Leila Manning. Nadege Vatton-Raclot seconds the motion. Minutes as written from 1-11-22 approved unanimously. No opposed. No abstentions.

4. President's Report: Tayesa Knight

Thank you everyone for answering the survey for the <u>Gala update</u>, we had a huge number of respondents. Most people were in favor of <u>postponing the Gala</u>, according to the sanitary situation. Our auctioneer, DJ, food caterer and venue have again committed to roll over to 2023, therefore we will be able to retain the money that we already spent.

We are still trying to have the <u>small outdoor parties</u> parents used to host in the past, but no one has volunteered so far. Please come back to us if you would be ready to host a party in the future. Our priority is for people to feel safe about the events we organize.

We know how important it is for the kids to have something they can hold on to. We want to keep the idea for our kids to have an event while raising money for them: we know kids love it.

90% of respondents were willing to donate to a kid only school event, what good news! We know kids are thriving in any music environment, therefore we thought about a <u>dance festival</u>. 5th graders could be part of the project, teachers could help too.

We could offer <u>booth sponsorships</u>, with your own banner at the booth, that would be kept at school for the rest of the year. We are also planning to sell <u>sweatshirts</u>. Even if more expensive than t-shirts it is a good and visible way to honor sponsorships.

Our event would take place at the end of April – beginning of May.

Leila Manning shared information about some <u>activities that could be run by 5th graders</u>: buying popcorn and snacks, with the help of two teachers; movies immediately after school dismissal, with two teachers and a 5th grader committee, with 2 grade levels max watching the movie together.

Katie Schaff asked about a <u>silent auction</u> option. We don't have any silent auction committee as we speak... Please send us an email if you are interested in helping us on that, so we can loop you in.

We are considering having some cool <u>raffle baskets</u>, with items for adults only/kids only. The raffle tickets would be sold online, and we would choose someone to pull the winner's name at the dance festival.

Annual fund drive is the easiest way to donate to SHSA, but Deanna Nicole suggested that we could offer a new way to <u>donate directly</u>: for <u>restaurant nights</u>, people would be able to donate directly to the school when they cannot attend. Everything would benefit the school. It would be like having two options: either go to the chosen restaurant or choose "I can't make it, but I still want to support SHSA".

We still have lots of <u>wine bottles</u>, which we were supposed to use for the 2020 gala. Leila Manning asked whether we could sell it as a raffle item. We cannot resell it, as it was donated. As the wine cannot be directly resold, Deanna Nicole gave the idea of a wine basket as one of the raffle items. We could also propose the wine as a thank you gift for a certain level of sponsorship. Could we have a listing on the silent auction page, so the parents could offer a bottle of wine to teachers?

Leila Manning came up with the idea of getting some stuffed owls that would be proposed as <u>"Grad Owls"</u> with a Schallenberger ribbon, so the profits of the sales could go to SHSA.

Kendra Scott: this virtual event will take place in April, SHSA will get a percentage back.

5. Principal's Report: Ryan Chamberlin

Covid cases are coming down, which is good news, even though we still need to be vigilant. We used to have approx. 2 cases per day districtwide before the break, when we had around 230 cases per day after the break. We navigate between 50 to 80 daily cases now, which is a big improvement. Thank you parents for <u>following guidelines</u>, in order to keep our schools safe for our kids.

Even if we are facing a less than ideal situation, wonderful ideas come from parents to keep up with SHSA raising funds. Starting Arts is a good example of the special programs we can offer. In the past few weeks, our students have discovered movements, dance and a new body

experience: African dance and ballet. Recess 101 is a hit: Coach Eric is super engaging and creative when it comes to finding games kids love! These <u>special programs</u> are so beneficial to the kids.

San Jose Unified is <u>extending our TK program</u>. Additional information can be found on <u>https://www.sjusd.org/our-schools/programs/</u>

6. Fundraising: Elise Roussel Reporting Out

Eating for Education: Giorgio's 2/28 - Mark your calendars!

Marquee, Free Dress passes, Give-a-hoot and spirit swags are available on our website for \$25: http://shsa.info/contribute/

7. Communications: Tayesa Knight Reporting Out

Follow SHSA on Facebook, Instagram & at SHSA.info. Feel free to tag us during Kindness month!

8. Membership: Elise Roussel Reporting Out

The Gala Chair, Walkathon Chair and Fall Festival Chair are still open. We'll have our <u>teacher appreciation week</u> in May: we would love to show teachers that we all appreciate what they do for our kiddos. We will also welcome <u>new families in TK and K</u> next year. We plan to organize play dates during the summer, so families can connect altogether before school starts again. Please come back to us if you want to help out and take an active part in these community-building projects.

9. Secretary: Elise Roussel

Agenda and minutes can be found online at http://shsa.info/shsa-school-meetings/.

10. Treasurer: Nadege Vatton Raclot

<u>Walkathon</u>: We still have some matching donations to come. We also received a few donations, marguees and free dress passes.

11. Public comment

Kristen Rintalan mentioned an <u>ice cream truck</u> coming to school every Wednesday. Julie Smith-Reid shared that they drive in the neighborhood and stop where they see kids. Schallenberger looks to be a good place for them in terms of business so they keep moving around. We will check whether it is legal to park near a school at dismissal without permission.

- 12. Adjourn- 7:34 pm.
- 13. Next SHSA meeting 3/8/22 @ 6:30pm.

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