

**Glenelg High School PTSA
General Membership Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2023**

Attendees: Sonia Chapin, Tania DuBeau, Page King, Monique Phelps, Scharrence Richardson, Ellen Sowry.

Call to Order: The Executive Board meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM on October 10, 2023 by Scharrence Richardson.

Agenda: Call to Order

Approval of Minutes: September 2023

Principal's Report

Officer Reports:

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Membership

Hospitality

Booster Liaison

New Business – Homecoming 2023, American Education Week, Other

NB: Since a quorum of seven members was not met, the September minutes were not approved.

APP Report: Page King

- After prom chair with Shawna
- Prom will be April 20 at Martin's Westminster
- Have been using Stratosphere – provide supervision, unlimited game cards, goes until 1:30 am, get buses to from prom to the location, and the food.
- Charge a flat fee for food, staff, access. Usually about \$12,000, usually covered by fundraising efforts and ticket prices.
- Total cost is \$15,000 to \$20,000 with buses, prizes, and everything.
 - \$5,000 from Boosters, \$2,000 from Howard County, others?
 - Tickets are usually \$10, about 150 students expected.
 - Bus fee is \$5, mainly to see how many kids to expect.
 - Prizes like TVs, Apple products, money trees.
 - Online tickets because there is a waiver associated.
 - Ask for cash donations, restaurant night organization, fundraisers, this is the last year for these co-chairs so it would be good to have another set of volunteers to take over.
- We will send volunteers to Page; they will send communications to us.

Action items: determine fundraisers, contact Dawn to determine if the raffle was worth it for the monies raised versus the amount of work, and if there is someone to run it this year. Amy will provide the amount allocated to APP in the budget and we will pass that along to Page.

President's Report: Scharrence Richardson

- PNC: Still have not completed signature updates, working on it.

- Update on Homecoming signups: not many on the signup sheet.
- American Education Week: no involvement for hospitality or other committees.

Vice-President's Report: Monique Phelps

- Fall play: no signups to sell at the play.
- **Action item:** Monique will send out Mrs. Sharp to send out the signup to theater parents.

Treasurer's Report: Amy Gonce, reported after the meeting.

- Current balance is \$40,278.09.

Membership Report: Tania DuBeau

- Currently 224 members. Staff numbers have dropped, we have not communicated they need to be a member in order to receive funding, but we also don't have any funding requests.
- Wondering if all PTAs are having the same issues or if anyone has a good approach to get membership number back up to where they were. Ellen could reach out to others in Howard County to ask the question.
- Need new Membership chair for next year.

PTAHC Report: Ellen Sowry

- Howard County General Plan – concern is there is not enough funding for the school in the master plan. Encouraged parents to get involved with the County Council.
- New guidelines for support of LGBTQIA+ students. Schools can apply to be a 'rainbow ribbon' school by local parent group – must express interest to apply by November 1.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sonia Chapin.