

**Uintah Elementary PTA**  
**October General Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, October 3 at 7:00 PM**  
**Zoom**

Attending: Emma Thatcher, Sarah Lowe, Alisha Norman, Bruce Simpson, Ellen Schwede, Mary Hiebling, Lauren Nelson, Hilary Biggart, Margaret Ensign, Joy Maxwell, Whitney Wilde Naideth, Ashlyn Stone, Carrie Jensen, Olga

1. Welcome and Introductions: Sarah Lowe, President
  - a. Teachers have been asking about buying school sweatshirts—instead of giving them for Christmas this year, PTA will give them at Thanksgiving to say “thank you” and allow them to have them earlier
2. Principal Update: Bruce Simpson
  - a. There will be a superintendent visit on October 4
  - b. A number of teachers will be going to the Professional Learning Community Conference put on by Learning Tree. They did this last year and it was very successful.
  - c. Ceramics teacher has been chosen and HR is completing the hiring process
  - d. Parking is tight. To relieve some of the pressure, volunteer spots will be given over to employees. Volunteers will be able to use the two hour parking in the front.
  - e. First Trait of the Month assembly is on Friday—trait is curiosity. The trait for October will be organization.
3. Financial Report: Alisha
  - a. August
    - i. Main expense was to the school for the art para
  - b. September
    - i. Rainbow Run brought in over \$75,000!
    - ii. Expense reports need to be filed so it is clear what was spent
    - iii. Main expenses were more donations to the school
4. Rainbow Run Wrap: Sarah + Alisha
  - a. Final donation total: \$75,000
    - i. There were no big donations—every child participated and the money was raised from a very generous community
  - b. Parties for school and class winners
    - i. There will be an inflatable obstacle course set up the same day as Fall Fest. Every class will get an extra recess and time on the inflatable obstacle course. A Sign Up Genius will go out for volunteers to help. They will need about four volunteers for each class.

- ii. The entire school will have a pizza party. John, the cafeteria manager, needs to know in advance so they don't prepare other food. The party is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, October 11.
  - c. Please submit your expense reports!
  - d. Feedback for next year
    - i. The individual chalk packets created some chaos. Next year, possibly designate a chalk free zone or figure out a way to limit the individual chalk packets.
- 5. Movie Night Update: Carrie
  - a. So far, about \$1150 has been spent on the rental company and popcorn.
  - b. Instead of lemonade, Sarah will help set up a hot chocolate bar with cocoa from a local vendor and marshmallows.
  - c. Candy will be something small, like Tootsie Pops or Halloween candies. Peanuts will be avoided due to possible allergies.
  - d. Some sort of punch pass or tickets will be used to help control the distribution of concessions.
  - e. Rental company will arrive at 5:15 to begin setting up. School will provide extension cord and power strip for concessions.
  - f. PTA will sell merch!
- 6. Mad Science Workshop Update: Emma
  - a. Workshops are scheduled to begin October 18th
  - b. Grades K-3rd will have two workshops per year and grades 4th-6th will have one
  - c. May request parent volunteers to help with the workshops to allow for more parent involvement
- 7. Fall Festival Update: Sarah
  - a. Needs someone to facilitate a craft
  - b. Needs someone to set up the games the PTA already has
  - c. Needs someone to possibly coordinate pizza
  - d. Haute Burger food truck requires a \$500 spending minimum, which shouldn't present a problem.
  - e. Possibly have a coffee truck to provide various warm drinks
- 8. Next meeting: Tuesday, November 7 at 7:00 at Uintah