



PTA Meeting Minutes May 9th, 2023

Called Meeting to Order Via Zoom at 7:00 p.m.

In Attendance: President- Anissa Willis; Vice President- Carolyn Shuster; Treasurer- Tania Wadhawan; Secretary- Melissa McGee, Dean Puterio, Principal Sharon Eisenberg, Suzanne Pavlus, Nicole, Glenn Hunt

Approved the April Minutes. Melissa made a motion to approve the April Minutes and Anissa seconded the motion.

President

- **Open Board Positions for 23/24: President, Vice President and Secretary**
 - We will announce the new PTA Board Members at the June meeting.
- **The 23/24 Officers will be elected at the last General Assembly Meeting for the Fiscal Year (June '23) and to take office by July 1, 2023.**
- Anissa suggested that next for next year's agenda we consider May to be the last meeting on the PTA calendar.

Treasurer's Report

- The PTA has **\$17,497.24** in cash in the account as of today.
- We are still missing checks from Buffalo Wing Factory, McAllister's and Famous Toastery
 - Chipotle check was found in the PTA inbox.
- Mr. Puterio asked if we figured out the mail issue that had resulted in the missing checks.
 - Anissa said that we are still trying to figure out the confusion with the mail system for the PTA.
- Another upcoming expense we will have are the 8th grade signs.
- Tania said she will be issuing a check for the 8th grade EOY Party this week.

Principal's Report - Mrs. Sherryl Loya (Dean Puterio & Principal Eisenberg are present)

- Per Principal Eisenberg: Thank you very much for the Teacher Appreciation.
- SOLs have started and all is going well. It will be busy days until the end of the year.
- Dean Puterio says we have the Award Ceremony all planned out.
 - June 5th is the 8th grade Award Ceremony, invitation only.

- We are still looking for someone to break up the slab of concrete in front of the school.

Committee Chairs updates:

- Falcon's Nest- [Cindy Harrison](#)
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- Fundraisers- Anissa Willis: Texas Roadhouse 5/30
 - Farmwell Spirit Night/Celebrate your 8th grader
- Giving Tree- Charlotte Ferrigno
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- Hospitality- Suzanne Pavlus- TAW 8-12th/ luncheon- May 9th
 - It's been a good Teacher Appreciation Week. Monday we did Anita's breakfast with eggs, potatoes, pancakes and fruit. We had a makeshift coffee station. Farmwell is not a huge coffee fan.
 - It was nice to use the library. It is the best place to serve the breakfast.
 - Tuesday is a gift. Wednesday is the Sweet Shoppe. It will run from 11:45-the end of the day and will be set up in a conference room. We have a lot of items that have been dropped off.
 - Thursday will be Bingo Mania. We drop off Bingo cards and gifts cards and every hour on the hour, admin randomly draws names from the staff to win prizes. We will also raffle off some potted plants.
 - Friday will be a luncheon. We did a "Friends" theme. We have sandwiches to go with the theme of "Joey's sandwich" with sandwiches from Costco, and a salad bar, and we have a Thai restaurant, Mann's Thai, that will provide chicken skewers.
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- Membership- **OPEN**; 131 Members; 102 Parents, 29 Staff
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- MSAAC- Hansilla Alaigh
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- Odyssey of the Mind- Ashley Brody:
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- SEAC- Todd Fielding
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- School Supply Kits- Suzanne Pavlus- Researching new vendor for the 23/24 school year
 - We signed with Sprout. The prices were slightly higher, but EPI was such a negative experience that the small price increase is worth it.
 - The supply kits will be labeled this year.
 - We were trying to make the supply kits more seamless and run more smoothly and going with Sprout will make this possible.
 - We signed a one year commitment.
 - Question: Suzanna said that someone was handing out an EPI kit to a student in The Nest. We cannot hand those supplies out.
 - Dean Puterio said hopefully a counselor was handing those supplies out from our stockpiles. Our counselors do not have access to The Nest supplies.
 - Anissa said that we lost a lot of foot traffic for parents buying spirit wear and supply kits due to parents being discouraged from coming into the building for Back to School Night/locker Night.
 - We need to plan how much inventory to buy for spirit wear and supply kits.

- *** Carolyn stated that if we do not have the Back to School/Locker event planned out for parents to come into the school for these nights, we will start at a deficit for the entire school year. She petitioned for the admin to work with the PTA to ensure that we can get the foot traffic that we need to garner more spirit wear and supply kits sales so that we start out in a positive for the year.
- Tania asked about labels, to clarify the students name and grade will be on the boxes.
- Tania asked what the cost difference was. \$5-8 difference per kit as well as shipping cost differences, however the price increase is offset by brand names driving the cost up, therefore it is difficult to assign a value to the cost difference.
 - Some teachers do have specific brands they requested, which can drive the supply kit cost up.
- We have to turn in the pre-purchased items for counselors by June 1st.
- Parents will have until July 1st to buy the kits.
- Carolyn asked, with Principal Loya being absent, who is sending the Welcome emails out to the rising 6th graders.
 - Principal Eisenberg said she has no access to these emails, and said that Principal Loya will be back soon.
 - Anissa said we can coordinate with Amy Tobias to get those welcome emails out to the 3 elementary schools that feed into Farmwell.
- Tania asked if Farmwell could somehow coordinate the Back to School Nights with the other elementary schools and Broad Run.
 - Dean Puterio said that is a good idea, and he will do his best but, no promises that all 5 schools will have zero schedule overlap.
- Suzanne asked Dean Puterio to let her know when the Welcome Breakfast will be.

- Spirit Wear- Payvand Gibson
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- Volunteers- Melissa Householder & Hanane Idrissi
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- Volleyball Game- Lisa Moses-
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New Business – open additional topics for consideration/discussion

Meeting Adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, June 6th