

PTA Meeting Minutes – 9/4/14

The meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. in the library at PFES.

I. Welcome

a. In Attendance

- i. Bekki Dudash, Kelly Beeken, Veronica Spradlin, Shannon O'Donnell, Christina Akers, Dollie Cottrill, Jennifer Snider, Katie Davis, Heather Pettus, and Karen Allen.

II. Officers

a. Presidents Report

- i. Back to School Morning. Went well, may consider changing it to the Monday before school starts next year, due to many families being out of town. Bekki also discussed having a popsicle party before school starts next year for Pre-K and Kindergarten on the playground.
- ii. Family Book Club Movie Day. Bekki has been asked to be on this committee. The theme this year is Walt Disney. They will be having a movie night with popcorn. The committee is thinking about picking three movies and letting the students vote on which one they would like.
- iii. Fall Carnival/Harvest Festival. The date will be Saturday October 25th from 5-8pm. The haunted house will have lights on from 5-6pm and lights will be off from 6-8pm. We would like volunteers the Friday before from 4-6pm and 6-8pm to help finish setting up the haunted house and start setting up the games. Saturday from 12-4pm to help make popcorn/snacks/and finish setting up games. Volunteer help for cleanup would also be appreciated.

b. Treasurers Report

- i. Budget. The board approved the 2013-2014 budget with one change- to add \$375 for Lego League under Sponsored Events.
- ii. The checking account balance is \$13,205.26 as of 9/4/14. The CD balance is \$5,137.91.
- iii. Carla Vaden completed the audit. There were no discrepancies with the bank statements. Shannon will forward the audit to the VA PTA.

- iv. Supporting Businesses, we have received donations from the following local businesses; New River Auto Care, Snuffy's, Riverway, McCoy Funeral Home, and NRV Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery.
- v. Fall Craft Show. December 6, from 9 am to 2 pm. So far Shannon has 11 vendors signed up. We will need to have at least 25 to have the fall show but we still have plenty of time.
- vi. PTA Memberships. We have 94 members so far. 22 are teachers/staff.
- vii. Pumas. Puma's are sold out, Shannon will order 100 more.

c. Fundraising Coordinator's Report

- i. Fall/Winter Fundraising Ideas. Ideas presented were Mixed bag designs, Little Ceasers, and Cookbooks. Decided on Little Ceasers now and Mixed Bag Designs later. Shannon will also call around and check with restaurants about fundraising nights (Sals, Frosty Parrot, Amelia's, Chipotles, etc.).
- ii. Fundraising. Katie Davis mentioned checking with the high school about the students designing and printing shirts in the future.

d. Volunteer Coordinator's Report

- i. VT Parking. Need times for games. Still need volunteers for 9/27, 11/1, and 11/28.
- ii. Garden Days. Veronica just posted this info on Sign Up Genius. Katie suggested we send an email to the high school AG department to see if any students want to volunteer.
- iii. Volunteers are Needed. Copy, Box Tops, & Coke Rewards.
- iv. Volunteer Recognition Ideas. \$25 gift card every 9 weeks.
- v. Lego League. Veronica presented information. Overwhelming response at meeting. 15-20 kids in FLL and 24 kids in Jr FLL. Fee of \$10 per kid to cover snack costs. 2 parents are volunteering so far, one is handling paperwork and the other is handling the engineering part. The registration fees are \$225 for FLL and \$150 (three teams) for Jr FLL. Motioned 1st by Shannon, 2nd by Katie Davis., passed by

board. There will be a local tournament in Roanoke that is only taking 16 teams. Theme this year is How To Teach.

vi. Texts. Anyone who wishes to keep up with Volunteer Opportunities via Text Messaging should text '@pfespta' to (540) 318-2318. They must include the @ symbol at the front or it will not work.

c. Principals Report.

i. Garden Path and Trike Track. Both of these are completed. The children really like the Trike Track.

ii. Book Fair. Shannon will coordinate the Fall Book Fair since Marsha is out on leave. The dates will be from October 13-17th. Monday-Friday except Thursday the hours will be 9 am-5 pm. On Thursday the hours will be 9 am-8 pm. We will check into having Hethwood Market do dinner on Thursday. Veronica will send out a request for volunteers.

Next PTA Meeting- Thursday, October 2nd 6:00pm