

## **LPA PTO Meeting Agenda September 13th, 10:00am**

Meeting was called to order at 10:02am.

In attendance: Mrs. Thayer, Erin Gulden, Erin Archer, Brooke Abitabilo, Catherine Schwarz, Janine Bowker, Cathy Richter, Adrian Terriault, Kelly Hite, Michelle Schultz, Melanie San Jose, Rachael Bunnell, Catherine Schwarz.

Motion to approve minutes of the August 16<sup>th</sup> meeting was made by Catherine Schwarz. Motioned seconded by Carolyn Haines.

Sunshine Chair- Melinda Howell – “Somewhere inside all of us is the power to change the world” ~ Ronald Dahl

Mrs. Thayer – I think our official count is about 1,481 but registrations are still coming, so I think we will hit the 1,500 mark. October 17<sup>th</sup> will be the non hurricane make up day. Mrs. McCool is now our 3<sup>rd</sup> assistant principal. She will be working alot with our K - 2<sup>nd</sup> grades. Middle grades will be starting something new, Power Hour, which will be 3 Wednesdays every quarter. They will meet within their homeroom and will work on three things: avid strategies, grade recovery and occasional team building. During this time, teachers will meet for training. Power Hours will be followed by regular classes and will begin next week.

We now have a resource officer in the mornings and we are very happy about that. I think some families have been calling and requesting and whoever did, thank you, because we've been asking for one for two years.

President, Erin Gulden - It's time to nominate and vote for Student of the year, volunteer of the year and senior volunteer of the year. Nominations need to be sent into Erin Gulden and we may call a quickie meeting so we can vote on before next official meeting.

1st Vice President, Erin Archer – In the process of passing out spirit wear. Already have new families who want stuff, need to figure out when and if another order will go out.

2nd Vice President, Brooke Abitabilo - 75 members, we've collected about \$3,840 so far.

Treasurer, Melissa Kramer - absent- sent in copy of state of the bank for anyone who wants to see it. Bank balance is \$32,740. May need to review the numbers for the Running of the Wolves.

Business Partners, Cynthia Dodson - Absent, Zaxbys wants to do a spirit night, needs to be a Tuesday or Thursday and we'll get 10% of the sales. We need to pick a date 3 to 4 weeks out. Question: Do we need to mention LPA when we're there? Probably, but we'll ask.

#### Running of the Wolves- Catherine Schwarz, Karen Millard

As of yesterday, we have 142 registered, 50 are students. Those students will be getting their wristbands this week. Flyers will be going out in folders this week. St. John's Running club will be advertising on their website. They will also be a sponsor. Working on Winn Dixie donating waters, Tropical Smoothie donating smoothie samples, TCBY may have samples as well. Publix is going to be contacted as well. Working on permits. Working on music, similar to birthday run. Company has speakers and PA system for that. Since 1 mile run participants don't get a dri fit shirt, we may have shirts available to buy for \$15 if they want a shirt. Still looking for a bounce house or obstacle course, hoping someone will want to trade for sponsorship. We have 5 people from Kohls and extra people from law school to help volunteer to free up parents to be able to run. Scheduling food trucks. St John's Forest won't send out email. Rachael Bunnell offered to put on St. John's Forest FB page. Question: Just got this email this morning. Some of the teachers are asking if they can get 5 kids to run, if they can run for free? How many teachers do we have? About 100. Is that worth it? We'll talk about it afterwards. If all 100 teachers got 5 kids to sign up, that would be a lot of extra kids. We would like to do another announcement about the wristbands. If anyone has any other ideas about sponsors please let us know.

#### Mini Grants- Janine Bowker

Still plugging along, will need to send out a reminder. Should be 19 grants, only 8 have come back. All the electives have, but grades have been slow. Deadline is September 30<sup>th</sup>. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is working on it. Of the 8, all are ordered and 2 have been delivered. Hoping that if the teams meet Wednesday, maybe I can remind

them this Thursday or Friday.

#### Book Fair- Cathy Richter

We did good this year, even though we lost about an hour and a half each day due to DE testing we still did approximately \$16,200. Curriculum chat nights were great. Hopefully they didn't cause too much trouble. We brought in about \$1,500 on Tuesday night and about \$2,000 on Thursday night.

#### Taxslayer Bowl- Edja Graunke

Absent. Erin G. - haven't talked to her yet, but need to get with her, because tickets are usually being sold right now. I believe ticket sales are usually wrapped up by around November 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### Wrapping Paper Fundraiser- Erin Archer, Janine Bowker

Have current catalog. Will go out October 3<sup>rd</sup>, will be due on October 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### Old Business

Room parent is next Thursday September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9am in the cafeteria. A few teachers still don't have room parents, if you look at the list and know anyone who would be interested please let me know.

#### No New Business

Meeting adjourned at 10:25am.

Next Meeting will be a General Meeting, September 27th @6:00pm and then our next monthly PTO Meeting is October 4th @10:00am