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LPA PTO September 2, 2014, Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 10:05am

In attendance: Kim D., Melissa K., Cathy R., Heather L., Lori M., Pamela F., Pam W., Denise H., LaQuita B., Erin A., Erin G., Margymae B., Kim F., Karen M., Rebekah H., Kathy B., Michelle O., Lily B., Janine B., Michelle S., Marty K., Christy B. and Judith T.

August meeting minutes - Karen M. motioned to approve and motion was seconded by Janine B. Vote passed unanimously.

Mrs. Thayer reported that school opening went well. Student count is 1376. Ms. Reichenberg has a leadership opportunity and will be leaving soon but a replacement with years of experience as a 4th grade teacher has already been selected. Mr. Bavington has taken another position and a replacement has been selected from Ohio and will be here soon. A few more 4th graders and we will have another class otherwise we will proceed with Associate teachers as new students register.

9B connector will go over Russell Sampson between LPA and 2209 light. 9B will end at 2209 just north of the St. John Forest 2209 gate. 9B construction is a 3 year road project and she has asked that no trucks use Russell Sampson south of LPA. There is a public meeting on September 15th, Courtyard Marriott, 14402 Old St. Augustine Road, Jacksonville, FL, at 4pm.

KB property is just south of LPA – slated for just 90 homes. Directly across from the new KB neighborhood there is a chunk of property for sale – no buyer yet, not Bass Pro Shop.

Kim D. – Creekline: Please submit information to Diana Sarama by 12th of the month:
dssarama@aol.com

Coffee with the Principal is September 19th, 2014 at 9am, and we will be drawing for the parking spot at this meeting. Names included in the drawing are taken from \$100+ membership donation. Topic is TBD and information will be posted soon.

Newsletter - Submit content for newsletter to Krista Willim:
LPAPTONewsletter@gmail.com

VP Fundraising – We have a new volunteer to coordinate the Birthday Run - Pamela F. We have a Gator Bowl Tickets volunteer – Kelly H.

Membership – Denise reported that we have collected more than we expected. We are excited to note that these membership donations are 100% given back to LPA versus fundraisers that return approximately 50%. We will continue to promote and ask for families to join PTO as we have taken the traditional Gala and Golf tournaments off the schedule for the 2014-2015 school year.

Volunteer awards are coming soon – nominations are due October 1. These are awards for the previous 2013/2014 school year. Nominations are needed and detailed information as to why the person deserves this award is required. Categories include: Senior Volunteer, Volunteer, and Student Volunteer.

Discussion was had on NEW TO LPA FAMILIES – welcome packets and detailed information was requested. Our PR person, Heather L, will work on updates to the web page and/or FB and it was suggested that packets be available in April when new Kindergarten students register.

Treasurer – Pam W. presented LPA PTO account and reported that our account balance is just over \$19K.

Secretary – A thank you note from Coach Rudd was read. DRAFT notes from PTO meeting will be on PTO page within a day or two of the meeting and any changes or updates can be emailed to LPAPTOWEB@GMAIL.COM

Notes will still be voted on during the next meeting but they will be made available on the PTO page as a DRAFT until approved.

Spiritwear – Just over \$3K was made at Wolf Greetings and more inventory will be available for purchase during Curriculum Chats and this will be the last opportunity to use the coupon credit. The other option for ordering spiritwear is online but coupons cannot be redeemed with online purchases. Popcorn parties for 100% participation will be brought back as soon as more students have their spiritwear.

Enjoy the City books – The books sale ends September 2nd. Numbers will be next meeting. Plan is to fill orders within 2-3 weeks. Bears are being given out every day and more requests keep coming in each day.

Room Parent – Cathy says the Room Parent meeting is September 5 – 9am and should be approximately one hour.

Meet the Artist – Margymae reported that we have 46 teachers in all and only 19 are covered. We are hoping to reach parents during Curriculum Chat to find more volunteers and have all classes covered. The MTA Meeting will be September 23rd at 9am in Cafeteria.

Boosterthon – 9/29 is pep rally and run is 10/8. Only K-5 will participate. This year is a Rock 'n Roll theme. We have to provide our own shirts this year – the back will include 2 large sponsors – Ossi and St. Johns Pediatrics Dentistry, 4 medium and some business partner names will be listed as well.

October 17th will be first collection and teachers will get a 10% portion of whatever is collected by the 17th. The second collection date is the 10/27.

Fence and LPA Sign: We are in need of a new person for fence/put in cups. This year we have a staff person for the marquee out front. Anyone interested in helping with fence please contact Kim D.

Business Partners- Melissa K. reports that things are going well. We have returning partners and new partners and some that were partners in previous years that did not return last year but are coming back. Biggest news is that we are officially moving banners to main fence!

REMIND 101 – Cathy reports if you still need to sign up all you do is text (904) 201-8112 with one of the options below for each grade you want

@lpakinder @lpafirst @lpasecond @lpathird @lpafourth @lpafifth

@lpasixth @lpaseventh @lpaeighth

For any updates or information you need sent out to various grades via the REMIND 101 text... please email cathyrichter@sjgcc.com the information, be brief and include main points only as there is a limited amount of space for the message.

Old Business: \$500 LPA PTO Scholarship was given to a graduating high school student that attended LPA in 2013/2014 – last year was our first year and YES we will continue to award this scholarship. Lori M. will continue to coordinate this award for 2014/2015.

New Business

We have a few things going on now and other things that happen later – Enjoy the City books, BoxTops, Boosterthon, Harlem Wizards (pizza, fun, raffles, and basketball with teachers), Holiday Night of the Arts (10/28 and 5/12), Vendor Night (12/11). For vendor tables during the Night of Arts or Vendor Nights please contact Jonyce B.

Denise H. does Sign Up Genius for any activities where volunteers are needed. Information related to where, when, times, numbers needed and number of slots, etc... make sure to forward details so she can copy and paste into the signup.

LPA football is playing 6pm, September 3, Plantation Park (next to Fruit Cove). Please come out to support our team!!! Check SJMSAA website for schedule.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30am.

Next meeting is 10am, Tuesday, October 7th at LPA.