

PTA Meeting Agenda and Notes

11/10/14

President and Vice President: Math and Science Night and other Events

President Sarah Segard calls meeting to order, starts the meeting 6:00. The hot dog guy is coming for food. Ms. Sanchez sent out info on all call. He will be there from 5-730. Opens at 5 for everyone, so folks from run club go right to dinner. Math and science starts at 530. Hopefully slowing down in next couple of months. Heather Little had pacemaker put in on Monday of last week, keep her in your thoughts and prayers. Boosterthon count days coming up on next two Wednesdays. We have closed out attractions but have a box that we keep selling. A little over 35k on boosterthon. If 100% 28.5k. Last year did 98%. Fundraising looking good this year. Looking at something to do with funds to make them stretch further. Sanchez, donors choose, is website that can put money towards projects, PTA put in half then companies can put in half and stretch out the amount. Bookfair is going really well, hoping to have record year. Volunteers been really low. Just went to PTA members for volunteers since last year went to everyone and got hardly any response. If everyone can look at their calendars now to prepare for March bookfair. Michelle is going to try and do a newsletter in January, send to Sarah or Michelle any info you want. PTA decided not to go after sponsorships for programs, its hard to do, and people don't have the time to do that this year. There is a lady doing auction baskets for funfest and working on that instead of sponsorships. She has contacts, camps, lessons, and others. She will come in January to update us. Boosterthon, everyone is partied out, what do you do for 100% class participation? So we decided to do homework passes, and nothing you have to do to hand out popsicles and sugar in your classes.

Membership: Update Erin, we didn't have a busy month this month, just sent out notification of raffle. Raffle will benefit those who have been making the PTA work. Ends November 17, the next big drive will be in March, up to 292. 300 is great number and we are getting close.

Fundraising: Update on Boosterthon. See above.

Volunteer/Facebook: Upcoming events and needs. Heather?? SignupGenius(SG) is going to limit their free site to a certain number of contacts per month. In order to send more we will

need to upgrade to free site. In October sent 14 emails to group. With that said, the only work around there is, we send a monthly overview, and many folks see that. The work around would be take the link and send it around in an email format. August, October, and November are busy then slows off till June and July. We can try to see what happens, there are other sites, but they aren't as good. If we transition to emails, we need to be consistent. Lets find out how they are billing and will get back to us, we should be fine until March. We have a couple of members that don't go through SG. Lets roll with it, but some of the alert links will come through emails. Picture makeups, need one volunteer for makeup.

Spirit Nights: Upcoming events. We only made \$30 on sweet frogs. She is trying to call Big Als. She is going to set up PDQ in December

Website/Yearbook: Needs and updates. Redesign the cover, waiting on the CD from picture day. Just got back from track out, adding the clubs to the website in a separate section. I fixed the boxtop printout sheet. We are getting about 2k clicks a month. Sanchez, if people give me something, I add to allcall. Been updated really well this year. Anything the teachers need to add just let her know. Run Club got cancelled last week because of rain. Please text Heather and we can get it out. Ice Cream fundraiser on same night as math and science night. Remind101.com the clubs can use to contact their members. There is another one called Rainyday.

Cultural Arts- In January we are having a super drum lady come. A two day workshop with 4th graders and also assemblies. Will be in midweek January 27 t1 and t3 and 28 t2 and t4. The other one, possibly in March, Raleigh symphony orchestra, put dr. seuss to musical and gets the children involved. From Sanchez, in March looks pretty good. One snag, thought I knew my budget, but lack of communications, I need 100 extra. Sarah makes a motion, seconded by Heather. All approved.

Box Tops and Bookfair: Update on Bookfair

Principal's Report: First, thank you to PTA for amazing coffee and tea cart that went around on Friday morning. Great way to start the early release day. Starbucks coffee, tea, and candy. Also, thank you for the thanksgiving dinner on Friday after students left. That was a large buffet. For cooking, cleaning, and everything, it was great. Quick staff update, hired two new

teachers, 1 grade orientation set up and ready to go. Will be here when students start. Found three TA's for AU openings, one has been subbing with us, will be working with Heidi. Found a candidate for half time AG position. Person will be a good fit for school. In process for finding two t1 1 and K TA's. ventured off to new areas of employment, unfortunate, hard shoes to fill, trying to interview and get people in those positions. Veterans days performance was wonderful, many tears, others wrote about family members and friends. 2nd grade did an awesome job up there, one is a real tear jerker. Great feedback from Veterans that attended. One grandfather, coming in and seeing these kids matters. Busduty.com is a website. For parents that ride the bus. Gentleman created a site and that's what we send out and twitter uses that. We are the only school and he now wants to charge for it. Fall picture makeups novemebr 20. DARE graduation for t1 on the 19th. Student Council wear a hat to school fundraiser on 19th. Kids make a donation, to wear a hat to school. Saturday 15 car wash for 4th grade trip. Caroling for cans is open to school on December 4th would love to have hot cocoa. Student Council backpack buddies on an as needed basis. One planned for first week in December 1 and 2? Last year with caroling for cans, took out stuff for backpack buddies and sent the rest to food pantry. Holiday performance will not be PTA, step, salsa, and chorus clubs. 12/11 fall picture 2 and 4 and DARE graduation. DARE program changing, police no longer funding. Sounding like wake county trying to fund it, police cutting funding. Our teachers are here working their tails off, making a difference in the lives of our kids. Thanks for attending, and for always being there, pulling together to cover all the maternity leaves and such. County has approved a principal for 2 months, there is something with health care, so it could be two people filling in while Sanchez is out. That is all I have. 6:42 adjournment.

Attendees: Heather Pew, Sarah Segard, Leigh St. John, Dan Crawford, Kristy Hamilton, Nicole James, Heidi Robillard, Emily Waters, Lisa Wilson, Heather Uhland, Caitlin Monroe, Gina Gassmann, Tracie Sanchez, Margaret Ferguson, Mary Beth Kelly, Angela Sampson.