

Starside Elementary PTA MINUTES; September 11, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:05

Introductions/Approval

It was moved by Traci Gaultney and seconded by Marci Jennings to approve April meeting minutes.

The 2017-18 PTA Board was thanked and recognized.

Welcome/Introductions: Mrs. Meyer asked all members in attendance introduce themselves.

PTA 2018 Objectives: Jessica Brandmeyer made motion to approve PTA 2018 Objectives, Traci Gaultney seconded the motion.

Standing Rules Approval: \$5 fee for membership this year (\$4 goes to national PTA; \$1 stays with Starside PTA) Traci Gaultney made a motion to approve, Andrea Newland seconded the motion.

PTA Calendar 2018-19 Approval: Ashley Wathan made motion to approve, Marci Jennings seconded the motion.

Principal's Report

Starside Comet newsletter goes home every other week for communication with families.

New items: Starside has been awarded along with only 7 other schools in the state (only USD 232 school) an Civic Engagement award for community outreach and engagement within the classroom. Community service day(s) are an important part.

An area of improvement Starside chose was Civic engagement within our classrooms

Examples of how teachers/students are meeting this goal:

4th grade is participating in a mock government, studying 3 branches and roles of each branch

Morning meetings: Each classroom takes 20 minutes at the beginning of each day to work on community building within the class. (build the whole child, build on 7 habits and theme of kindness, self-regulation, anxiety, morning greeting, handshakes and hellos; social worker and counselor are guiding lessons.

Treasurer's Report was postponed until next meeting. Budget was available to members.

Committee Reports

Staff Dinner - P/T conferences - Wednesday, Sept 26th

Kim Manson with Ashley Wathen chairing; Wednesday late afternoon dinner for staff, KJs pizza is being donated, parent donations will supplement with side salads, veggies, dessert, sign up genius coming out in newsletter this week, italian bistro theme, gluten free help is appreciated

Spirit Wear/Box Tops

Jeanette Mall reported that orders are collected, we sold \$60 more than last year, and will hopefully get shirts distributed before walk-a-thon.

Box tops-collect Tyson and best Choice labels- UPC codes we receive 3 cents each, if expired throw away please; classrooms will have a collection contest

Walk-A-Thon

Friday, Oct 5th

This is PTAs largest fundraiser. If weather cooperates, students walk in the back of school; this Friday is the kickoff, teachers work with students to get them pumped up.

Sun Tents-we need 3 for walk-a-thon; Regina Clarke has 2 tents we can use, Danielle Paisley has one tent.

A spirit week will take place the week of Walk-a-thon.

For actual walk-a-thon, students must wear the color of their teacher's classroom. There will be music, and parents, families, grandparents, strollers, can join and walk.

You can donate online for walk-a-thon this year on the PTA website.

Student prizes:

Early turn in: student receives a walkathon spirit stick

\$5 raised: student receives a tennis shoe keychain

\$25 raised: student participates in a luau lunch

\$50 raised: student participates in Brian the juggler at 3:00 during school day.

Donation thermometer was made by Heather Wilson's husband-6ft tall in lobby to track donations.

If we can raise \$7,000 of donations, Mrs. Meyer is working on the roof for the day.

We need lots of parent volunteers, look for the sign up genius.

All classes except for Kindergarten have 50 min. Slots. (10 min warm up, walk for 30 mins, 10 mins to tally and have snack.

Fourth-9:45	Third-10:35	First-11:25
Kinder-1-1:30	Second-	Fifth-

Corporate Donations

Kim Manson asks in DeSoto and beyond to donate and we have \$11,275! Merck donated at the highest level, goal is \$12,000, we will know by this Friday for last corporate donations. Still waiting on amount from Huhtamaki.

Coffee w/ Kris - Friday, Oct 26th @ 9am -Different date

Sit down and discuss, donuts, chat, just adults

Room Parents - Fall grade level parties - Wednesday, Oct 31st

2 parties a year-Fall/Halloween Oct. 31 3:00-3:40

Feb. 12 for Valentines Day party due to P/T conferences.

Grade level parties

First through 5th grade have whole grade level parties which evens out parties. Kindergarten is split with 2 classes together, we had very few volunteers overall. Mrs. Johnson's Kindergarten class has no head room parent or volunteer. Make sure to take food allergies into account, room parent meeting at 7:00 tonight. Costume parade starts through the school, then to the parties.

Glow Dance Party! - Friday, Jan 25th

Stephanie Crane and Audrey King are chairs, mohawks, neon lights, students practice dances in Mrs. Cook's class; all students can participate

BINGO Night - Friday, March 1st Mrs. Berry is the staff coordinator, Christine Green, Laura Anderson

Pizza Hut Night - Monday, Dec 3th; Took away the salad bar, please mention you are there for Starside

Skate Party - Monday, Oct 8th-Nick Nobel 6-8 Glow Party themed, wear gear from last year, teachers skate free, January 17

Welcome Committee-Amea Henning, Pracilia Franks, helped us meet with new parents during back to school night

Student Directory-Jamie Barry, due date is Sept. 14***We will have a link to the directory from our PTA website

Other Business

Spirit Sticks- taking a break for a while; we didn't have much interest, we spend more money on them than we make; the ones we have can be sold at Walk-a-thon or teachers can utilize them in their classrooms.

Three Cheers

online payments for spiritwear and membership

24 teachers signed up!

Christine Green and Laura Anderson are now our bingo night chairs!

Communicate from school has been great so far-ex. Musical dates

Awesome class sizes this year, largest class is 22

To everyone for being here tonight!

\$10 Harps gift card went to Elizabeth Rupe

Meeting adjourned at 7:00

Next PTA Meeting: Tuesday, November 6th @ 6PM