



Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)
General Membership Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2018

Board Members in Attendance: Laura Loshek, Jenna Downs, Katy Erling, Marissa Genereux, Karri Norris, Sharon Deziel

Additional Members/Attendees: 8

Standing Items:

1. President's Call to Order at 4:35 p.m.
2. Five Minutes of Fun by Laura Loshek – bypassed due to time constraints
3. Approval of the November Meeting Minutes by Sharon Deziel
 - A. Motion to approve minutes by Marissa Genereux, seconded by Heather Fairbanks - motion passed
4. Principal's Report by Laura Loshek
 - A. Events from December included a lot of musical programs; tied together events in same day such as 3rd grade recorder concert and gingerbread houses
 - B. January's emphasis on reconnecting and getting back into routine
 - C. K-3 Benchmark Assessments started and will be reported on at conferences – upper grades assessed if needed
 - D. Theme is "Mindfulness & Movement" month
5. Volunteer Coordinator's Report by Karri Norris and Marissa Genereux
 - A. Volunteer sign-up open for Book Fair (Feb. 7/8); Park Grove library will be supporting sign-ups for library cards as well – some help needed; Artomé Art Show & Fundraiser (Feb. 7); Artomé taking place of Original Works; access sign-ups on Grey Cloud To-Go and PTA Page
6. Treasurer's Report by Katy Erling
 - A. No budget available – will have for next meeting
 - B. Seeking new treasurer; current treasurer leaving position the end of the school year; would like replacement to begin as soon as possible – if interested please contact PTA

Review of Past Events:

1. Culver's Night by Katy
 - A. (Nov. 13) – waiting for donation confirmation; sales \$1800 hour 1 at 15%/\$900 hour 2 at 10% – next Culver's night Feb. 12 from 5-7 p.m.; student council may help again although Prairie Fire Theater production happening that week as well
2. Skate Night by Katy
 - A. (Nov. 30) – raised \$105; just over 200 skaters
3. BoxTop Contest
 - A. Received report from Michelle Ferlaak (coordinator) – Mrs. Coquyt's class (2nd grade) won pizza party for most box tops; confusion if pencils received for participating; Jan. submittal to meet Feb. deadline – final numbers pending

4. Chuck E. Cheese Night
 - A. Pending donation total; light attendance possibly due to illness/weather; look at changing the date next year – possibly February

New Business/Updates:

1. Fun Run/Fundraiser Committee by Sharon
 - A. Large planning committee met on 1/4/18; Sponsorship Kit is being finalized for printing and E-use; goal to achieve \$40K total in student pledges & sponsorships; roughly \$50 per student K-5; additional committee members are still needed to help with planning
 - B. Discussed initial prize structure; pool party at CGMS for K-5 top five students in each grade; ten large-item prizes for top pledge earners; ongoing student drawings for every \$10 in pledges earned using name-completion tickets on pledge forms; in-kind prizes for general drawing day-of; offer more student guaranteed prizes at various brackets
 - C. Suggestion student engagement role be led by student council
2. Conference Dinners
 - A. First night will be box-choice through Nutritional Services; second night hope to fund through Sunshine Committee due to PTA budget constraints
3. Prairie Fire Theater by Traci Newhouse
 - A. Presenting Aladdin the week of Feb. 12 for grades 2-5; cast of 75; everyone gets a part; \$35 participation fee; nightly rehearsals at school 3:15-7:30 p.m.; Friday night dress rehearsal and Saturday final show at Park High School – 11:30 show time/usually one hour performance
 - B. Need parent volunteers to help at school for time following dismissal
 - C. Tickets \$5/kids under five free (last year) – suggestion that all be ticketed to improve confusion over # of seats needed and long performance time for some little ones; possibly offer Fri. night as a “family night”
 - D. Possibly offer only pre-sale tickets Wed./Thurs. instead of day-of; need volunteers for pre-sale fulfillment; could sell day-of if seats remain
 - E. Carnations popular last year – qty. 300 sold out; also sold out of chocolate flowers at \$2/ea – purchase at discount week of Valentines; Heather Fairbanks offered to help source wholesale if desired
 - F. Flyers to go out Feb. 3rd
4. ThunderBash by Shannon Voerster
 - A. March 16, 6-8 p.m., will have 12 games, inflatables, cash cube, nachos, cotton candy, snow cones; Nutrition Services will sell kid-friendly food such as smile fries, pizza; multi-purpose room movie
 - B. Many volunteers needed: 10 for set-up/80 during/10 clean-up – volunteers receive four free tickets
 - C. Seeking ideas for large-group attraction in 5th grade pod; formerly Bingo – possibly 3M Wizards STEM demos (6-8 p.m., 15-minute shows) – Erin Vanderwerf may be able to help source
5. February “I Love to Read” Month (non-agenda item)
 - A. Every student will receive a kid Jr. shake from Wayback; suggestion to contact for ThunderDASH sponsorship

Questions:

1. Leave a note or email Mrs. Loshek if there is anything you’d like to know more about; she can arrange guest speakers based on topic

Meeting adjourned 5:35 p.m.

***** Next Meeting February 13 at 4:30 p.m. *****

Handouts:

January 2018 Meeting Agenda, November Meeting Minutes

Draft SD, 01/15/18
Final SD, 2/19/18

Grey Cloud Elementary PTA

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7. Treasurer's Report/ Budget Approval- Misty

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What do you want to learn more about?