

PTA Meeting Minutes

Date: 2019-September-06

Location: Room 2

Attendees: Beth Baldwin-Lien. Rose Rezai. Eric Nepom. Heidi Hackenjos. Amy Merrill. Shasta K. Moore. Lisa & Chad Ledson. Brooke Pearson. Erin Keller. Sharon Meacham. Robert Eckard. Je Snodgrass. Yvette Crowley. Erica Chamberlin. Meg Leonard. Christina Burnett. Jules Laaperi. Mary Sandera. Shawna Harpole. Nat Weinham. Lane Abrahamsen. Amanda Vandergriff. Alysia Lauer.

Call to order: 8:40

Introductions and ice-breakers.

Accept Previous Minutes: Accepted

Approve Standing Rules: Amy motions. Shawna seconds. Approved.

Approve 2019-2020 Budget: Eric motions. Amy seconds. Approved.

Reports

1. **Principal's Report:** Meg Leonard thankful to all for participating. Curriculum night went well (last night.) Broke a school district record for earliest school closure due to last week's lightning storm which downed a powerline on CedarOak Blvd. Please be sure to sign up for Flash Alerts, List-serve emails. School bus numbers can be confusing so we're shifting to color coded bus routes for easier identification. Handout shared relating to Safe, Responsible, Respectful, Kind language and proactive application of same. Lunch routines are taking shape with help from teachers and paraEducators, we do not yet have open seating arrangements.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** The Report is basically the same as the budget.
3. **Committee Reports:**
 - Introduce Committee Leaders -
 - Art Lit - Lane Abrahamsen and Amy Merrill lead this committee. Once a month a volunteer led art project in each classroom.
 - Communications - Sharon Meacham. Reach her at communications@cedarOakparkpta.org
 - Dine Out - Dine out Sept 11 at Bellagios, Noon-to-9:00. This is an early-release day.
 - Garden - PTA funds this 100%. The Garden Educator comes in once a month to teach classes. See handout for Garden Education dates for your kids class. There are also weekend work parties, see handout.
 - Hospitality - Staff Appreciation events. Katy Wroblewski runs this and if you are interested reach her at hospitality@cedarOakparkpta.org
 - Membership - Amy Merrill says as of today we have 32 members. Our members and dues go towards lobbying for legislation to improve state and national legislation. Our goal is 100 members.

- Spiritwear - We are still selling Spiritwear. You can go online to buy it. (insert address) Elizabeth Bragg is leading this committee.
- Sustainability - Alysia Lauer shared the goal of developing a student-led green team. Working with Jules Laaperi. We will do the plastic recycling again this year, aka Trex Recycling. Earth Art Fair / Earth Week is in the spring (April,) let's get the Students to lead, perhaps each classroom can be responsible for a booth. 2 meetings per year for Garden and Sustainability: 30-Sept-2019, and one in January 2020.
- Yearbook - Cheree Burton chairs this. Sharon is helping. Taking pictures. Picture day is September 24th.
- Fun Run - Kierstin Kane coordinates this. Event date is 4-October, Friday. Envelopes circulate next week. Reminder, to be on campus without an escort, you must be signed up through the "help counter" application. IDEA: Lisa suggests...Can we change the name of Fun Run to Run, Walk, Roll or Move Marathon to be more inclusive. Everyone likes this idea.
- Monster Mash - 25-October, Friday, probably 5:30-7:30pm. We need help. Look forward to a meeting soon.

New Business:

- ★ Shasta mentions that last year we hosted a Family Inclusion Night for whomsoever is not comfortable at the louder events like Monster Mash. Can we offer transportation? Could we coordinate a school service dog? Also, there is a Scripps Spelling Bee, \$165 cost per school. This early-bird fee ends in October, so lets find teachers to get on board and then ... Could we do it?
- ★ Upcoming dates:
- ★ Dine out Bellagios Sept 11 (noon-9pm)
- ★ Picture day Sept 24
- ★ Garden/Sustainability fall meeting Sept 30
- ★ Fun Run Oct 4
- ★ Monster Mash Oct 25
- ★ Meeting minutes posted online.

Next Meeting: October 15 at 6:30om in library.

Adjourned: 9:49 am.

President, Mary Sandera
Secretary, Nat Weinham