

PMES PTA
General Membership Meeting
Minutes
03/16/2016 - 7:00 PM - PMES



Attendance: Gail Dunlap, Marcia Fithian, Danielle Spigler, Fran Downes, Loren Rainwater, Morgan Polan, Nicole Moaddel, Leigh Horan, Chris Jensen, Elisabeth Airey, Leigh Horan, Renee Mann, Katie Chalpin, Tammy Webber, Timmi Brenneman, Kristen DiMarino, Chris Jensen, Angelena Matheny, Theresa Lutz

- Call to order 7:03
 - Established quorum
 - Minutes from January 1, 2016 approved
- Treasurer's Report - Fran Downes
 - Income:
 - Applebees
 - Bertuccis
 - BJs
 - Expenses
 - Field Trips
 - 5th grade reserved coach buses for Patriot
 - Assemblies
 - 5th grade bought flags for their patriot celebration
 - Needs (Mrs. Dunlap)
 - Mrs. Murray asked if the PTA could support a new set of risers in the coming year
 - One section would cost \$1,366.00 plus shipping
 - Question to membership (from Danielle Spigler)
 - Can we amend the budget to include this expense by transferring \$1600 to checking
 - Approved for this school year for Mrs. Murray
 - Fran proposed that we transfer \$1600.00 from savings to cover the expense of the new risers. Leigh Horan seconded.
 - Vote: 19 - yes. 0 - nay.
 - Amendment is approved unanimously.
- President's Report - Danielle Spigler
 - Founder's Day Dinner at HCCPTA
 - Fran and Danielle attended
 - Lots of other PTA's have higher percentages of membership than PMES
 - Similar circumstances and demographics
 - Membership rates are calculated as follows: member:student enrollment
 - PMES PTA
 - 586 students at PMES
 - Need 450 memberships to get to 75%
 - Need Ideas to Boost Membership
 - Theresa Lutz-affle idea
 - Leigh Horan-lanyard with collectible pandas
 - Renee Mann-race for classes who win 100% membership
 - Marcia Fithian-slogan
 - Talent Show
 - Fliers are incorrect and say May 11

- **CORRECT INFORMATION is TUESDAY, MAY 10**
 - Announcement and email to follow with change
- Vice President Report – Morgan Polan
 - Nothing to report
- Secretary’s Report – Loren Rainwater
 - Nothing to report
- Principal’s Report – Gail Dunlap
 - Testing
 - MSA 5th Grade Science this week
 - PARCC begins April 18 for two weeks
 - ELS’s 3 straight days
 - Math has a bigger block and is broken up
 - Election day off
 - Make up testing after that
 - Dates
 - April 6 Pictures- class and individual
 - April 8- end of 3rd quarter
 - Field Trips
 - Ban for trips to Baltimore has been lifted, so it is okay to go to Baltimore
 - There may be unrest with the trials in May
 - The top priority is safety for kids
 - Planning trips for this year
 - Teachers have to put down deposits (most non-refundable)
 - Instead of the chance of losing money and not going anywhere, they have picked other locations
 - Teachers did a lot of work and put a lot of thought to find new places and connect them to the curriculum
 - Construction
 - Ms. Fithian reported that the construction is approved and find out about bids in April
- Teacher Reports
 - None present
- Committee Reports
 - Reflections – Nicole Moaddel
 - 2 entries placed at state finals! - Emily Lutz & Aubrie Sandifer
 - One entry went to nationals – Aubrie Sandifer
 - Tuesday, March 22nd is the breakfast
 - Carnival
 - May 20th
 - Prizes not donated this year
 - Looking for businesses to sponsor \$75-\$250 booths
 - Looking for volunteers to go to businesses and solicit donations
 - Meeting Sunday, April 3rd - 7pm at Chrissy Sandifer’s house
 - Teacher Appreciation – Katie Chalpin
 - Dr. Seuss theme
 - Need help at Kiss n Drop
 - Teachers raffle donations needed
 - Sign Up Genius will be used as it gets closer
 - Ice Cream Social -Leigh Horan
 - April 19th 6-8PM

- Sign Up Genius to come
 - Collect markers at this event?
 - Community Involvement -Timmi Brenneman
 - Theresa Lutz proposed the idea of supporting the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Walk
 - Four kids at PMES have Type 1 Diabetes
 - The team would include all kids in Harford County
 - Walk is April 6
 - Table at ice cream social for this?
 - Box Tops
 - Collected 19,000 box tops
 - Great turn out - \$1,900
 - Mrs. Lloyd's and Mrs. Eberly's Classes won contest for playground equipment
 - New Kickball sets are now in classrooms!
 - Please continue to collect Box Tops for next year.
 - Labels for Education (Campbell's Soup, etc)
 - Collect and turn in
 - Program ends in June
 - We can get points to "buy" items for the school
 - Shoparoo
 - Link on PTA Website
 - Email to come
 - Last year \$57 dollars raised for school by a few people
 - Everyone should do this! All you do is scan your receipts and earn \$\$
- New Business
 - Sweepstakes for a new playground until March 24 - will share on Facebook
 - Can enter once per day

Adjourned at 7:56 PM

Submitted by Loren Rainwater—PTA Secretary