

MINUTES

Autumn Creek Elementary School PTO

Date | time 9/15/2015 7:05 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Anthony Hansen

In Attendance

PTO Board: Anthony Hansen- PTO President Leslie Smogor-PTO Vice President, Crystal Rutherford-PTO Secretary, Wendy Peterson-PTO Treasurer ACES STAFF: Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Hafenrichter, Mr. Joslin PARENTS: Elizabeth Joyce, Becky Lee, Kit Neel, Angela Hansen, Thirmanda Zavala, Milton Zavala, Maribel Cruz-Rosa, Jorge Ayala, Melissa Turner, Areli Perez, Laura Regelbrugge, Heather Claxton, Magda Emmert, Kelli Stewart, Jewel Wacker, Kristin Hanna, Natalie Meyer, Jill Roberts

President- Anthony Hansen Welcomed all in Attendance. He let parents know that a new addition to the PTO meetings this year will be a chance to jot down questions for Mrs. Johnson & Mrs. Hafenrichter to answer at the end of the meeting. Board members were introduced.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were presented by Secretary-Crystal Rutherford reviewed from June.

Motion to accept: 1st Angela Hansen 2nd Becky Lee All Approved.

Old Business

Marquee:

- Top portion is being remade, so it will be a little darker and easier to see. Should be replaced in the next two weeks.
- Green Apple will hopefully be sponsoring ACES with beautification of the sign area.

Back to School Bash:

- 200 students attended. Looking to collect feedback from everyone- anything to do different, will be putting a committee together this year to start planning for next year.
- Since this was a great success, it will continue to be an annual event.

School Supply Kits:

- About 100 sold this year.
- The quality of the supplies were improved from last year.
- Thanks to Jennifer Jones who chaired this committee. If anyone is interested to chair it for the end of the year, please let us know.

Spirit Wear:

- 5 Local businesses (along with 2 private donors) have donated over \$3200, which means students will be receiving a free Yorkville T-shirt for Spirit Wear Fridays.
- Thanks to Wendy for heading that up. Shirts will go home on Friday with students.
- A limited supply will be available for size exchanges.
- Also, on the website, there is an option to order shirts from Steven's. Shirts will be delivered to the classroom once a month.

Budget

The budget was presented by Treasurer- Wendy Peterson and reviewed. A few things to note:

- A new look to budget this year. We will be using a new budget software program this year.
- Thanks to BPAC for splitting expenses for Back to School Bash.
- We will be making installment payments for remainder of Marquee.

Motion to accept: 1st - Liz Joyce 2nd- Kristin Hanna All Approved

Principal's Report

- Thanks to previous board and new board for work to supply marquee.
- Goals to continue to increase communication this year; will utilize sign, email/phone call blast, FB page, Twitter, many teachers have websites and blogs, class dojos. Please email if you have any questions or leave a voicemail and give 24 hours for a response. Open Door Policy was stressed.
- Changes that occurred this year: Parking Lot changes- crosswalk moved, walkers and car riders more organized, and entrance is enter only. Please do not use crosswalk by main door during drop off and pickup. More staff presence near crosswalks and doors to increase safety. B
- New Raptor Program for Background Check- No more volunteer forms this year. However parents NEED to bring a driver's license when checking into the office.
- Please volunteer in your child's classroom and school, even if it is only an hour a month or week.

New Business

Goals for this year:

- Continue to Build School Spirit and Camaraderie, Getting our name in the community, partnership with BPAC, as well as Continue Communication: Website- a chance to take a survey and let the PTO know what you would like to see changed, improved, volunteer and donate options are also available on there and join Facebook Page for updates.

Calendar of Events:

- Calendar for PTO Sponsored Events was sent home first day of school and available at meeting.

Committees/Volunteers:

- Volunteer Forms on Tables to sign up for various committees.
- Signup is also available on website.
- We are also working on putting together a file with a how-to/checklist for each committee.
- Parties are no longer facilitated by PTO, so you will hear from your classroom teacher if they need assistance with parties.

Fall Fundraiser:

- Back by popular demand-going back to **Holiday Shoppe Catalogs**. Cookies and bread stick samples are on the counter to try before you buy.
- We have used twice in last 5 years and had great success.
- Catalog contains food, wrapping paper, home décor, etc. many different ideas.
- Starts Sept. 29th- catalogs will go home. Online ordering is going to be available.
- Suggestions- make a donation amount available for parents/families who do not want to buy and still making incentives available for students.

Shoparoo:

- Easy fundraising opportunity. It is an app for your phone. You open up app, choose autumn creek, and take pic of your shopping receipts and a % will be donated to PTO.
- More info. Will be coming home.

Monster Mash:

- Saturday, Oct. 24th 2-5pm Will be right after Yorkville's Biz Boo
- Looking for volunteers and donations.

Committee Reports

Box Tops: Liz Joyce

- Sept. 25th is the cutoff.
- Goal for school year is 30,000 which would mean \$3,000 .

Labels and Cokes Points- Jewel Wacker

- Can earn \$ for school vs. points now.
- Jewel is in need of volunteers who would be willing to enter coke rewards in at home. List of products of items and sheets will be linked to fb and website.

Restaurant Nights: Leslie Smogor

- Mike and Denise's Wed. Sept. 16th- all day 20% back to PTO (does not include alcohol).
- A box for book donations will be at Mike and Denise's and all restaurant nights this year.
- October will be Jimmy Johns, November- Wings, Etc. December will be Culver's. January is Panera.

Open Forum

- Mr. Joslin presented a Scholastic Program that would allow for each child to receive a free book for their birthday, as well as for each child that is a part of the 100 Book Club to be rewarded with a free book. \$680 was approved for this program. Thank to Mr. Joslin for heading this program.

Motion to accept: 1st-Angela Hansen 2nd- Jewel Wacker All Approved

- Are Watch Dogs still happening?- Jamie Jacobs will be setting up a night for Dad Pizza Night and a company will soon be sponsoring it this year. Very successful program last year, so definitely will be continuing.
- No questions from parents were written down for Mrs. Johnson from beginning of meeting.
- A Spirit Wear shirt was raffled off as a door prize for attending PTO Meeting- Congratulations to Areli Cruz for winning.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:08pm by Anthony Hansen

Agenda

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September 15th, 2015

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Introductions**
- 3. Old Business**
 - a) Marquee
 - b) Back to School Bash
 - c) School Supply Kits
 - d) Spirit Wear
- 4. Secretary/Approval of June Minutes**
- 5. Treasurer/Approval of Budget**
- 6. Principal's Report**
- 7. New Business**
 - a) Goals
 - b) Calendar of Events
 - c) Introduction of Committees & Volunteers Needed
 - d) Fall Fundraiser
 - e) Shoparoo
 - f) Monster Mash
- 8. Committee Reports**
 - a) Box Tops
 - b) Restaurant Nights
- 9. Open Forum**
- 10. Adjournment**