

PTA Meeting Minutes from 9/12/17

In attendance: Amy Crump, Peter Sabee Paulson, Keri Taff, Joy Ueng, Wendy Woothtakewahbitty, Brooke Running, Mandy Martin, Tara Thomas, Laura Peterson, George Loper, Craig Harlow, Stacey Free, Tina Smith, Rachael Van Fleet, Brandy Stoffel, Catherine van Fleet, Xisheng Wang, Bechir Hamdaoui, Robert Thompson, Veronica Thompson, Samantha Shivji

6:05 – Meeting commenced

-Passed around cards for outgoing office staff, Kim Nelson and Leslie Hudson

-Laura Peterson motioned to approve last month's meeting minutes; Peter Sabee Paulson seconded

Principal's Report:

- 28th year in education; excited to be at Franklin
- Still hiring for a few positions; apologies for friction during transition
- Please stop by with questions, to introduce or to say hello
- Curriculum nights next week; hoping PTA will have a representative; Amy Crump will speak
- Upcoming District events: 9/27 @ CHS, documentary " Most Likely to Succeed"; 10/23 @ Franklin, information meeting with District's Facilities Planning group
- Asked for feedback: office staff is nice and adjusting; students enjoy meeting and seeing Principal Harlow as he visits the classrooms
- 7th grader's bike was stolen the first week of school; was locked with a cable lock that was cut

Question asked by parent: What is the Franklin PTA philosophy? Per Amy: community approach; raise money for enrichment, to fill some gaps, to ensure every child has access to opportunities; Jog-a-thon is only main fundraiser; focus on community building and enrichment not necessarily academic; host fun things, purchase some equipment, materials for teachers

Treasurer's Report:

August revenue: \$742.11 from Block 15 dine out and \$208.40 from escrip and Fred Meyer
August expenses: \$600 (enrichment grant for 4th & 5th to attend BizTown); \$231 (office supplies – three sandwich board signs to help promote events); \$220 (Wordly Wise, a language arts supplemental program addressing various student levels in the 4th & 5th grades); \$1203 from prior Jog-a-thon funds dedicated to technology – doc cams, projectors, typing app)

Funding request from kindergarten teacher for 7 Muslim children's books for use by her students and five new Muslim families; books will also be available to other students at Franklin. Amount: \$66.31. Vote: purchase approved; will come from enrichment funds. Laura Peterson will place the order, deliver to Mrs. Winograd, and submit form for reimbursement.

Tina Smith, SPOC, asked for additional doc cam since the two that were approved in August. Voted to approve; will come from prior Jog-a-thon technology funds.

Standing Committee Reports:

Back to School BBQ, Keri Taff: event is this Friday (9/15); A-M to bring side salad; N-Z to bring healthy dessert; hoping to create a drum circle; volunteers still needed; Corvallis PD on hand to register bicycles to aid in their recovery in the event of theft

Movie Night, Tara Thomas: 3 movie nights planned for the school year; first one will be Ponyo on November 3; water, free popcorn, affordable treats and cutie mandarins will be available for purchase; all ages welcome; NOT a drop off event; still looking for a third person to help with movie nights.

Sock Hop: Still looking for a coordinator (more fun to do this with a friend); Tina Smith volunteered to organize a middle school dance. The Sock Hop is geared as an all-school event; Tina will talk to Amy, Mr. Harlow and middle school government organizer Rachael van Fleet about planning a dedicated middle school dance. Please see Amy Crump if you are interested in helping with either event.

Dine Outs (Brooke Running not present; Amy Crump provided update): 9/26 at Burgerville from 5-8pm; no flyer needed; Franklin staff will be on hand to host dine out and possibly serve food. Portion of all proceeds during that time frame will be donated to Franklin. Spread the word and come for dinner or stop by milkshakes!

Box Tops (Kristin Reeve and Jasmin Woodside not present; Amy Crump provided update): This can be a surprising money earner for Franklin (about \$600 one year). Collect and wait for a form to come home or donate in a plastic baggie.

Jog-a-thon (Jasmin Woodside not present; Amy Crump provided update): October 20; great volunteering experience; pledge forms to be sent home soon.

Garden Club (Heidi Herring not present; Amy Crump provided update): Takes place Fridays after school; students must sign up which serves as a release of liability and helps Heidi keep track of who's coming. Look for sign up sheet to be emailed soon from office.

Beautification (Brooke Running and Alice Nielsen not present; Amy Crump provided update); front of school looks great; additional plans for back of school coming soon.

Languages: Claudia Enciso will be hosting Spanish. No other language clubs available through the PTA at this time. Information coming home soon.

OBOB (Wendy Wooth not present; Amy Crump provided update): Oregon Battle of the Books beginning in 4th grade; look for information to come home in the next couple months.

Popcorn Friday, Keri Taff: will occur once a month beginning in October. New this year: no charge for elementary students; middle schoolers will pay \$.25.

Student Government will be run by Paige Hawkinson (elementary) and Rachael van Fleet (middle school)

Spirit Wear: We will streamline the spirit wear this year so that the school's teal color is the only option available. Look for order forms to come home soon. Laura Peterson will be the Spirit Wear coordinator.

Friday Folders, Mandy Martin: up and going; items are scanned and sent via email through the office from Breanna

Volunteer Coordinator, Joy Ueng: on track to provide volunteers for Picture Day; need volunteers for Jog-a-thon. Please be sure to complete the district's background check, which is only good for two school years. For example, if you signed up at the end of first grade, the check is only good for first and second grade. Link available on the Franklin website.

Bark Trail: Craig Harlow to meet with district to determine options and process.

Old Business:

6th grade picnic a success; thanks to Andy Gallagher and Charlotte Moats-Gallagher
Welcome Back Tea also a success; thanks to Keri Taff for organizing
New signs look great and seem to be effective; will be used to promote PTA meetings, dine outs, back to school BBQ. Will ask Jeff (pm custodian) to pull them into building Friday afternoons.

New Business:

Picture day tomorrow (9/13)
District meeting with outcomes from the Fundraising Task Force (outcomes and recommendations from Scott Perry, moderator); Thursday evening at district office, 9/14
Open Positions: Sock Hop and Staff Appreciation Luncheons Coordinator

Announcements and Upcoming Events:

9/13 – Picture day
9/14 – District Board Meeting, 6:30pm
9/15 – Back to School BBQ, 6-8pm
9/15 – DC information meeting, 8-9pm
9/19 – MS Curriculum Night, 6:30-7:45pm
9/21 – Elementary Curriculum Night, 6:30-7:45pm
9/26 – Dine Out at Burgerville, 5-8pm (no flyer needed)
10/4 – School Picture Retakes
10/10 – PTA Meeting, Franklin Library, 6pm