

General PTO Meeting Minutes 10 October 2017

- Called to order by President (Justin Smith) at 1832
- Introductions made by Co-Presidents Justin Smith and Chris Pope.
- Students 3rd grade and below walked over to childcare room, students 4th grade and above asked to stay and walk with parents to the computer lab for presentation on Timeline and Science Fair.
 - Timeline will be held on the 9th of November at Discover Life. Teachers have sent home information as well as sheet asking for list of individuals whom have made significant contributions during their lifetime. Presented slideshow from last year, students wearing outfit representing their historical individual as well as card with “I am...” statements.
 - Science Fair (8th of February 2018) information can be obtained from www.brevardschools.org and will help guide students/parents. The website also contains any necessary forms. Our school will have 3rd-6th participate but only 4th-6th will attend district. This is a learning adventure, there are online surveys to help point your children in the right direction. Great opportunity for 3rd grade to practice for next year. Parents remember-small manageable steps spread overtime, and it is a partnership between students, parents and teachers. Make sure this is the child’s choice, they will be more inclined to participate. Teacher’s will approve all subjects/questions. Required to list all sources and have detailed daily notes/journal. Board cannot have any identifying marks for student or school. A total of 12 kids can advance, but school will make final decision on if all slots will be filled. There will also be art projects submitted as well. **All fluids must be purchased!

- Students are lead to childcare room and parents returned to normal meeting room.
- Secretary Report
 - Introductions made by each co-chairperson (Nadia Watton and Shevaun McKivigan)
 - All meeting minutes are in the binder located in the office for review.
- Treasurer's Report (Presented by Amanda Naylor)
 - Current balance is \$2700
 - Waiting on \$200 check to clear
 - Timeline deposit was already paid
 - Red Ribbon Week supplies already paid, and received
- Vice President Report
 - Introductions by co-chairpersons Tamara Galeva and Candice Walker
 - Thank you to all that have already volunteered this year and those in attendance.
 - Red Ribbon Week will be the 23rd-27th of October and flyer will be sent home this week providing a detailed list of all approved events and outfits. Please sign up to assist Daniele (chairperson) for activities and stuffing bags for students. Monday-Thursday events will start at 0900, Friday will start at 1000 with firefighters.
 - Timeline will be held 9 November, as previously discussed and a few volunteers can sign up to assist with clean up and directing of parents as they arrive. Please contact Ms. Kristen Courtney (chairperson) if interested.
 - Box Tops (Mrs. Shannon Sweet chairperson) Next mail in will be 1 November (done twice a year), so keep them coming in! Each

month each class competes to win first or second place for most turned in box tops. Thank you to Ms. Lisa Marin for helping with cutting and sorting. If you are looking for volunteer hours please contact Mrs. Sweet.

- Pennies For PTO does not currently have a chairperson. Collection spot in each classroom, as well as events during the year available. Ms. Hernandez volunteered to run program! Thank you!
 - Mrs. Mariya Johnson spoke about possible Saturday club that would feature learning how to fish and then utilizing learned skills. Possibly held at Lagoon. More information to follow. Also, asked if volunteers would be able to assist with a sewing club. Mrs. Watton would like to help, please contact Mrs. Johnson if interested. Each club would possibly have 10-15 positions. All volunteers for these activities must be A+
 - Currently we have not heard back from Project Earth company. We are unsure if the club will continue this year.
 - Art club chairperson has stepped down. We are currently looking for new chairperson or the club will be closed.
 - Beautification team is moving forward with summer 2018 laying of sod. Projected to cost \$800 and will need volunteers (possibly 8-10) to lay sod when delivered. Also, assistance needed in checking the sprinkler system and what may be required to repair heads that were removed due to safety issues.
 - Please visit the Brevard website for instructions on how to complete your A+ volunteer status. It is important for the safety of our children that all individuals are ran through the data base and cleared prior to interaction on campus. If you are coming on campus you must stop in the office, with driver's license, and receive badge before entering campus.
- Principle's Report (Ms. Turner)

- Art to Remember will need a chairperson for next year. Deadline has passed but last minute orders can be placed online this week.
- The SAC committee will be reviewing School Improvement Plan this month. Very important item for our school and especially our faculty.
- Thank you to the parents for not only attending but being so patient through meeting, since this is technically two meetings combined due to Hurricane Irma.
- Parent Participation night (VPK and K) was moved due to Timeline date and will be held during Red Ribbon Week.
- Teacher's Report (Mrs. Richardson)
 - Grades 5 & 6 welcomed a new class pet thanks to a grant provided. The bearded dragon is a huge hit with the children! They also completed a puppet show/book review!
 - Grade 3 & 4 are getting into "Go noddle" a mix of yoga and dancing. They are also gearing up for the Science Fair and begging stages of required work.
 - Room 7 (1 & 2) are learning about plants and how they work as well as completing "Around the World" starting with the country of Japan!
 - Room 8 (1 & 2) are also learning about plants, and life cycles, and will be transplanting to the garden soon!
 - Kindergarten is learning about human bodies and pumpkins!
- President opens the floor
 - Questions concerning if there are currently cameras installed around the campus. There are not currently cameras, but it is something that can be researched and possibly donated by PTO.
 - Thoughts on bringing a Spanish club to the students. Two parents are interested.

- Question concerning how to propose a club/activity. You can certainly schedule a meeting with Ms. Turner and review your ideas. PTO asks that you submit a proposal, including dates, times, number of students, ages/grades of students and what the focus of the club/activity is. If it is a club there should be a lesson plan attached with focus on subject (STEM, art, language, etc).
- Concerns about the car loop. Parents stopping, on cell phones, making left hand turns out of driveway. Possibly a sign reminding parents to stay in car and keep in motion?
- Concern about volunteering with A vs A+. All volunteers that will be dealing with students must have A+ status and wear badge. A volunteers must be with a faculty member when volunteering. Parents may be a visitor and have lunch with child, but cannot go into classroom or stay on camps without A+
- Raffle and reminder to pick up dress down pass as well as sign in
- Meeting adjourned at 1955