

PTA Executive Board Meeting

November 1st, 2017

President, Gretchen Pace, presiding.

Holly Dowling recording the minutes.

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 pm.

Members in Attendance:

Gretchen Pace	Holly Dowling	Christine Way	Amber Lenger
Lindsay Howell	Chris Ross	Ariana Ellerbe	Diana Hinojos

Principal's Report by Mr. Ross

- Ronnie Farrell, 3rd grade teacher, is our school's Reading Teacher of the Year.
- Veteran's Day Program will be held on November 13. We expect to serve over 100 veterans on that day. We will be honoring the anniversary of the Vietnam War.
- Internet Safety Parent Session will be held on November 8 at noon. This is sponsored by SIC. Detective Rick Floyd will be the presenter.
- Our science lab teacher, Mrs. Huggins, has brought the Star Lab to our school the past 2 weeks. All 2nd – 5th graders had the chance to learn about constellations in this inflatable lab set up in the gym.
- Morning Movement was a huge success. Over 150 students consistently came to the track in October each morning to walk/run. We plan on providing this again in the Spring. Thanks to several parents who helped make this possible along with our leader, Mrs. Stevenson.
- Mr. Ross will attend the Greenville County Hall of Fame Induction Dinner. PTA has agreed to sponsor the \$100 ticket for him to attend.

President's Report by Gretchen Pace

- Next General Assembly meeting will be held on Monday, December 4. We will meet prior to then to create the agenda.

Treasurer's Report by Christine Way

- Presented current budget. Motion to approve the budget made by Amber Lenger. Seconded by Lindsay Howell. Approved by all.
- Mini-grant information has been emailed to all teachers. Submissions are due by November 10.
- Teachers must submit receipts by December 15 for \$200 PTA reimbursement.

Ways and Means Report given by Gretchen Pace

- **School Store** – Earnings are currently in the black. We are looking for someone to chair this next year.
- **Holiday shop**— December 4 – 8 in room 7. The sign-up genius will be going out soon. A separate sign-up will be used for board members to collect money.
- **Spirit Nights** – A total of almost \$700 has been collected already this year. Chipotle was a huge success. We earned \$338. This was the same night as Dine Out for Mom, which could have negatively impacted the overall sales. For next year's planning purposes, we need to remember that Dine Out for Mom is the last Thursday of October each year.
- **Box Tops** – We are looking for someone to fill this position.
- **Dance** – The ticket prices will increase to \$10. \$1 from each ticket sale will be donated to Survivor's Park. There will also be a place on the ticket order form for people to make additional donations to Survivor's Park.

Programs Report by Diana Hinojos

- **Summer Activity Program** – The final wrap-up was sent out. A check will be written for \$50 to the school library to cover the purchases from Book Fair Buck winners. Program funds need to be increased by at least \$150 for next year's program due to increased participation and increased cost of pizza.
- **Publishing Center** – Ashley is purchasing a new printer.

- The National PTA suggests a 3:1 ratio of programs to fundraisers. After reviewing the list of both at Bell's Crossing, we do meet the suggested number.

Volunteers Report by Arianna Ellerbe

- Volunteer of the Month for September - Jessica Blanton
- Volunteers of the Month will be spotlighted on the PTA bulletin board.
- Staff tailgate lunch will be held Friday, November 3. Room coverage is being finalized to ensure all teachers are able to attend the luncheon.

Secretary Report by Holly Dowling

- Presented minutes from the October Executive Board Meeting. Motion to approve from Arianna Ellerbe, and seconded by Diana Hinojos. Approved without dissent.

Communications Report by Amber Lenger

- Please remember to check in with your chairs each Monday to see how they are and find out if there is anything that needs to be communicated out to the masses.

New Business

- The annual Thanksgiving lunch will be held on November 16. A sign-up genius is being created to secure volunteers.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:09 pm.