

# Parklawn PTA Executive Board Meeting

11.17.2016, 6 pm, Parklawn ES

Attended by: Larry Aiello, Rebecca Cervoni, Tanya Chadwell, Tom Dickson, Kate Gray, Lesley Hassen, Radia Nait, Lou Tremante, Kathleen Williams, Rachel Wolin

## Agenda Items

### 1. President's Report

Review of upcoming events:

- 11.30 Program about paying for college, to include presentations by a Virginia 529 plan representative, estate planning attorney. Trying to line up a financial aid officer from NOVA.
- 12.2 Movie Night. Still need lead parent to organize movie rental and concessions. Considering a PG movie; would need to advertise the rating. Flyer will also encourage kids to bring pillows and blankets.

After-school program for the winter term will include chess, cartooning and indoor soccer classes; registration will begin in coming weeks. Spelling Bee will begin end of January; email will be sent to recruit parent volunteers.

### 2. Treasurer's Report

Approved: \$16,345 net, reflecting income from memberships, expenses for bus to Nationals game. Discussed purchasing an electronic marquee, which is a major expense; Fairfax County school board may have ideas for grants, fundraising.

### 3. Principal's Report

Date for an internet safety presentation will be announced soon. Quarterly planning days will be occurring over next few weeks for each grade. Holiday assistance programs are in progress, including Thanksgiving meals and holiday gifts. Meals tax was not approved, which may lead to significant budget cuts. Young Men in Motion will be running in December; PTA will be getting a request to fund transportation. FCPS Outstanding Teacher of the Year application program is beginning; up to 3 parents may join the school nominating committee.

### 4. Yearbook

Jamie Fobert needs parent volunteers to help produce yearbook. Ideas discussed included asking companies to purchase advertising space, and purchasing a page to thank PTA event sponsors.

### 5. Book Fair

Rachel Wolin, librarian, needs volunteers for the December 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> book fair to help with set up, break down, and sales; an online sign-up will be sent out. There will be a wish list board so books can be purchased for classrooms, as well as a collection jar for change to ensure that each student will be able to bring home a book.

## 6. New Business

Teacher grant program was discussed as a way to put PTA funds directly back into the classrooms; need to check if there are PTA bylaws regarding grade-specific funding, consider creating PTA subcommittee to evaluate requests.

## 7. Spirit Wear update

Lots of interest in adult hoodies. Current inventory will be organized by size in large bags; after inventory is sold down, more will be ordered.

## Upcoming Meetings

12.2 General Membership, 6 pm

1.4 Executive Board, 6 pm

1.14 General Membership, 11 am

2.1 Executive Board, 6 pm