

Parklawn PTA Meeting

9.7.2017, 6:00 pm, Parklawn Elementary School

Attended by: Rebecca Cervoni, Tanya Chadwell, Meggan Florell, Rebecca Forgy, Elizabeth Galbraith, Tejitu Haile, Tania Kohut, Alicia Marigliano, Selamawit Mekuria, Safa Mrabti, Radia Nait, Katy Richman, Lou Tremante, Jackie White, Kathleen Williams, Rachel Wolin, Sofia Worku

Agenda Items

1. Treasurer's update

About \$21,000 currently in bank account, reflecting income from memberships and spirit wear sales, expenses including school supply kits. Debit cards have been issued to Liz and Tanya, so that we can take advantage of the tax exemption. Bank is offering Clover (similar to Square, for processing credit card payments); Tanya will investigate to see if it's worth making the switch.

2. Movie night, 9.15

About 8 fifth graders will man the food table, supervised by PTA volunteers, who will handle the money. Approved: fifth grade will receive 40% of profits from this first movie night, in support of their end-of-year party. Movie will be shown in both gym and cafeteria; art teachers will have activities set up in cafeteria as well, for which supplies have been purchased by PTA.

3. Membership Drive update

Rebecca Cervoni and Tania Kohut will head membership drive, which will run from 10.2-11.3. Membership forms will go out in Tuesday folders at end of September; banner to track progress will be hung in school near front office so students and parents can see how it's going. Prizes to include a dance party for the class with the highest participation.

4. Baseball Night update

A bus has been arranged for the 9.29 Nationals game. Marybeth McDermott is offering tickets to eligible families. Each attending adult will pay \$10 for bus transportation; PTA will cover any remaining cost.

5. Used Book Drive

Radia has been in touch with George Mason Library, which has offered to donate any leftover books that have not sold during the library's book sale. These books will need to be picked up 10.1 before 5 pm; volunteers needed to assist. Principal Forgy will check with reading specialists to see if there are specific needs.

6. Whole Foods Fill the Bus food drive

At the invitation of FCCPTA, Parklawn PTA is participating in the 10.20 food drive at area Whole Foods. 5% of the day's sales go to FCCPTA; in addition, our PTA is eligible to earn up to \$500 if we staff 10 2-hour volunteer shifts. Contact Liz if interested.

7. Dairy Queen

Last year, the management at the Bailey's Crossroads Dairy Queen agreed to donate a percentage of profits on early release days. Liz will ask Amber Dewey, who had coordinated with the store, if she is willing to reach out to DQ again. The next early release date is 11.3.

8. Principal's update

Back to School Bash had a great turnout!

FCPS is piloting a Universal Screener tool for reading and math, to be administered three times a year. Screenings will take less than an hour, and will not take away from instructional time.

PE teachers are in need of additional recess supplies, if PTA is interested in donating.

9. Education Grant Applications

Four education grant applications were reviewed, with grants for a paper cutter (Kirsten Looney, Art, approximately \$200) and a portable speaker (Lloyd Lindley, PE, approximately \$150) approved. Liz will follow up with the other two applicants to get more information before committee reconvenes.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

9.15 Movie Night

10.5 PTA meeting & AAP Presentation, 6 pm

11.2 PTA meeting, 6 pm