

## PTA Meeting

10/3/18

Attendees: Meggan Florell, Elizabeth Galbraith, Liz D'Cruz, Rebecca Forgy, Jackie White, Rachel Wolin, Alison Lynskey, Tejitu Haile, Alison Meadows, Lindsey Irwin, Radia Nait, Alicia Marigliano, Suzanne Leach, Miki Walker, Joselle Shea, Tanya Chadwell

### Budget: Liz Galbraith

- Budget reviewed and approved electronically by Executive Board prior to meeting.
- Reviewed new items: Field trips, STEAM (covers STEAM related activities)
- Copies of budget provided to membership for review
- Suggestion: Increase STEAM to \$2000 due to field, create separate line item for spelling bee, remove income line for book fair.
- VOTE: approved

### Membership Update:

- Parent membership contest closes Nov 1<sup>st</sup>
- Teachers will be entered into raffle for Kindles previously purchased that don't work on school network

### Book Fair: Rachel Wolin

- Oct 22-26
- Student volunteers of any age are welcome. Volunteer/service hours are available.
- Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> is preview day.
- Open during arrival and dismissal
- Tuesday open until 5:00, Wed 7:30, Fri 3:00. Open purchasing time ends early on Friday
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid (8.99 no tax or shipping) available for pre-order. Delivered to school 5-7 days after release on Oct 30<sup>th</sup>
- Can shop online through bookfair app or scholastic website
- eWallet system: works like lunch money. Sign up on scholastic website and set up account. They can print out the barcode or it can be looked up at the day of
- cash, credit, checks
- no tax
- Volunteers needed (noon until 6-7pm) Fridays are the big days. Sign up genius: [bit.ly/parklawnbookfair](http://bit.ly/parklawnbookfair)
- Thank you to Tanya Chadwell for the enchanted forest display
- Teachers encouraged to make wish lists
- Donations to the bookfair are accepted for students who are unable to purchase

### Odyssey of the Mind: Liz D'Cruz

- Creative problem-solving competition
- Ms. Fink going to sponsor
- Cost is \$135 to sponsor a team of 5-7 people per problem with 5-7 problems provided
- Can choose to enter tournament which will have a separate entry fee
- Open to K-5 (non competitive primary problem K-2) but may gear towards 3-5<sup>th</sup> for this year.
- Working out details as to when students will meet. Nov-April.

- “8 minute skit” –judged on creativity and how problem is solved. Everything needs to be done by the students
- Reached out to other schools in the Pyramid for support and guidance

Grants: Liz Galbraith

- First grant period opens Oct 19<sup>th</sup>
- Grant committee accepting volunteers to review proposals

Rebecca Forgy: Title I Presentation

- Overview of Title I:County
  - 46 elementary schools in the county receive funds.
  - Every year needs assessment performed to determine how to spend funds
- Title I: Parklawn
  - Parent Advisory Council
  - VDOE Accountability: Parklawn in fully accredited, all Level I (at least 75% percent passing English, 70% passing Math/Science)
  - Showing that we’re meeting needs of students: growth is measured now not just achievement/test scores
  - Now measuring absenteeism: 4.33% (10 absences or more)
  - School Improvement and Innovation Plan (SIIP)
    - Looking at unadjusted SOL numbers to look at all student achievement and how to improve those
    - Strategic Plan
    - Positivity Project: Student Ambassadors (present at future PTA meeting)
- Engagement Policy and Compact Distributed to membership with feedback form

Budget audit presented and approved by executive committee and general membership.