

August 3, 2009

PTA Board Meeting Minutes

Budget

- Sarah went over budget changes and presented each member with an itemized copy
- Budget will be voted on during the first PTA meeting on September 1, 2009

Sally Foster

- Packets were scheduled to arrive August 3 (and I believe they did?) and will be ready to be sent out in day one of school
- Sales will run beginning August 18 through September 21 (Board members are needed to help tally orders)
- Delivery will be October 21 (volunteers needed to separate and distribute)
- Discussed offering a "buy-out" option at a payment of \$40.00 – the positive of this is that ARCAE doesn't have to half the donation; we get the entire donation amount
- Follow up letter to be sent out two weeks into school further explaining in detail what the money from Sally Foster sales goes to and the "buy-out" option
- We will again have a limo ride as the "grand prize" for students selling the most items
- Will have pizza/ice cream parties for the classrooms with the most participation per grade level

Room Rep/Liaison

- Discussed redefining the role of the Room Rep/Liaison in order to give the teachers back their parent to relay classroom information to parents and cutting out the PTA/county/administration aspect of

it (Stan will be responsible for sending out this information to parents through email)

- Stan has graciously taken on the role of becoming our new Site Administrator for our school's online newsletter (and it looks fabulous!!! Great job!!!)
 - We voted to create a new account through Constant Contact which cost \$15/month, \$180/year and the funds came from the Special Funds budget
 - Minutes from PTA meetings, bimonthly updates and any other information will be relayed through this site

Business Partners

- Josephine Routh is the new chair for this committee
- Becoming a business partner requires a \$25 donation
- Looking into creating and having made window stickers for business partners from the Cotton Exchange (has anyone does so as of yet?)
- A detailed outline was given at the meeting stating the benefits of becoming a partner including recognition, listing a link on the school website, etc.

Volunteer Coordinators

- Lynn Rea volunteered to separate and make lists for each committee
- Beth Meeks volunteered to create volunteer forms

Back to School Packets

- Agreed to meet on Friday, August 14, 2009, to stuff packets

PTA First Day of School

- We will need board member volunteers to help the first week of school in the morning and in the afternoon
 - Morning: arrive at 7:30am to help with carpool, guiding children to their classrooms, etc.

- Afternoon: arrive at 2:45pm to set up lemonade stand and to have PTA member sign-up sheets out
- Atlanta Bread parking lot will be closed for parking. An email will be sent out to parents with this information (and it has been sent out)

Playroom Equipment

- \$100,000.00 budget (with \$60,00.00 accounted for with the required safe base matting)
- As of now, we have no swings – initially voted to have swings installed before the first day of school based on Mrs. Ellicott's given quote of an install price \$2000.00 for 4 swings
 - However, Mrs. Ellicott was misquoted: ACTUALLY 4 swings installed will be \$6,000.00. That includes freight, installation and federally mandated borders with mulch, etc. 8 swings would be \$9,500.00.
 - She has since spoken with many of the board members and the overall vote was to order 8 swings and PTA will pay for it with hopes of recouping some of the expense through other means of donations, etc.