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PTA Board Meeting – Monday, October 27, 2009  
Ashley River Creative Arts Elementary School Conference Room

President Tina Shaw appointed Stan Halstead as Acting Recording Secretary in the absence of Emily Poland.

The meeting was **called to order** by Tina Shaw.

Sarah Stone was unable to provide the **Treasurer's Report** due to a computer program restructure. She was able to give close estimates of the balance and receipts from fund raising activities. She also reported she met with bank officials who agreed to provide services without normal business fees.

Amy McCabe for **Ways & Means** reported Sally Foster is almost complete. The committee is now working on Bingo Night and the auction.

Beth Meeks for **Membership** reported we only need fifty-one (51) more regular members and ten (10) teachers to reach our goal of 200 percent.

**Teacher Appreciation** events; Breakfast on 10/29/2009, coffee, Box Lunch week of 12/7-11/2009

Stan Halstead reported the **website** is getting quite a bit of weekly traffic.

Tina Shaw presented a sample of the new **Spirit** hats and updated the progress of other spirit items for sale.

Tina also shared information about a planned **Book Fair** in conjunction with Barnes & Noble to be held on Saturday, November 21, 2009. Media Specialist Bill Langston is coordinating this event.

**Business Partners** are starting to come in. Company logos with a link to the business will be placed on the website after verification of payment.

**Bingo** chairperson Shannon Jones gave an update on Bingo Night. Stan will make signs to be placed along the car line and bus loop for the week before the event. It was suggested an off-duty police officer be hired to assist with security at West Ashley Middle School.

Sarah Stone reported on the plans for the **auction**. She stated everything was moving along smoothly. Six cadets from *The Citadel* will be provided for assistance as needed.

Tina discussed additional **fundraising** ideas. Space shuttle signs will be placed in people's yard after receiving a donation to do so. The recipient(s) will have to pay to have them removed. Applebee's restaurant has provided pancake breakfasts for other groups. Amy McCabe will check to see if they are still providing that service and report back to the board.

Principal **Jayne Ellicott** presented a request by a business partner to allow business signs to be placed along the car line. After some discussion the proposal was not approved. Mrs. Ellicott reported that DHEC would provide free H1N1 virus standard injections to children at the school with parental consent. The School Improvement Council (SIC) is hosting a coffee on November 18, 2009.

Assistant Principal **Cathie Middleton** discussed the need for additional information concerning traffic safety both in the morning and afternoon. Stan will produce a safety flyer for Friday Folders and an item on the website.

There was no other business. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Stan Halstead, Acting Recording Secretary