

Meeting Minutes 9-20-19 Green Trails PTO meeting

Minutes: 9:30-11 AM

In Attendance: Rene Sommers, Kathy Lake, Leah Curran, Brooke Senior, Martha Hicks, Risa Shyres, Shelly Nelson, Katie Rees, Emily Freese, Katie Nagus, Lisa Berger, Lara Lewis, Jennifer Heinz

Principal's Report:

- Volunteer training dates- Sept 26 and 27th
- 15 people came to parent speaker on Tuesday night
- Parents are interested in Love and Logic- Nancy Firestone available on Monday and Wednesdays and parents want Tuesdays and Wednesdays; working on dates for a two part Love and Logic on Mondays in January and February

Programming Report: Brooke Senior and Lara Lewis

- Fall Carnival recap- went well; rock wall was enjoyed; long line for HiNRG; maybe Ultimate Ninja?; craft-used up materials from what was left over from last year
- More parent volunteers are needed
- More tickets sold the day of the carnival than presale
- HiNRG- after school programming?
- Gator Run- October 12- backpack mail flyer to go home soon

Treasurer Report: Shelly Nelson

- Taxes to be filed in November
- Arianne would like to do a forecast for the budget for the October meeting

- Record keeping for electronic records is working well in the Treasurer folder on the PTO drive
- Paypal electric reimbursements
- Using Venmo? Can create an account for reimbursements

Secretary Report: Katie Nagus

- All events emails and communication through Katie Nagus first instead of sending to Denise first. So that the information will be on the website. A week or a couple of days in advance is best.
- The blog is good.
- Newsletter had a 50% open rate. Haven't heard anything negative. Next newsletter- early October. Would like pictures from events.

Fundraising report: Katie Rees and Lisa Berger

- Dine and Donate- Tues first one; some require a flyer or turn in receipt in a bin; send out a text for a reminder
- Duck Donuts fundraiser maybe in February
- Green Envelope- online Green Envelope pledge to then pay through PayPal giving fund; print cards through Parkway and go home in about 2 weeks
- Trivia Night- first meeting last night and had many new kindergarten and first grade families; 15 people total- Theme Saturday Night Live/ Green Trails Live; SNL photo bumpers with staff; looking for donations
- Spirit Wear launched- back pack mail next week. Select the item and logo you want. Lisa to put suggestions for t-shirt designs. We will get a percent back in May. Money we get back will be used to purchase Spirit Wear for kids for adopt a family in December. Every month there is also a

promotion on the back of the flyer.

School Services Report: Martha Hicks and Jennifer Heinz

- Teacher Appreciation Breakfast- going well
- Appreciate a Gator- first one is this week- all teachers have a family
- Fall Celebrations/Parties- getting hay bales; entertainment is Oh my gosh Josh- character education build in GT core values; 2 indoor assemblies and 3 outdoor
- Conference Night Dinner- baked potato bar and soup and salad options from Bread Co or a parent who is a caterer;
- Book Fair- Amy Falke runs it; need more volunteers
- Winter celebration- assembling bags for a nursing home, etc. birthday in a bag for the Parkway Food Pantry, coordinate with Sweet Celebrations

Presidents Report: Kathy Lake

- Calendar items- upcoming events- dine and donate, fall celebrations, book fair, conferences, gator run, trunk or treat, discovering abilities day, and veterans day celebrations

President elect report: Emily Freese

- Volunteer extravaganza- Tues, Sept 10- got sign ups loaded into excel sheet
- Email chairs of events with volunteer information
- Fill out Volunteer form online- everyone has to do it because it's new this year.

Past president report: Jenn Saggett- not here but Lisa Berger

reported on 5th grade

Carnival went well, 5th grade photos scheduled, trunk or treat-
5th grade to sell water and pretzels, fall conferences
babysitting information going out today

Next meeting- October 25, 2019 @ 9:30-11 am