

Minutes of the South Fayette  
Elementary PTA Meeting  
November 10, 2009



Gina Duncan - President  
Brynne Allcorn - Vice President 1  
Kari Bair - Vice President 2

Laura Helbling - Treasurer  
Tricia Ford - Secretary

Gina Duncan called the meeting to order at 1:35pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. An inspirational poem was read by Kari Bair. All members present were introduced.

Minutes of the last regular PTA meeting were reviewed. They will stand as approved.

***TREASURER'S REPORT***

Detailed financial statements containing the balance sheet, profit and loss budget vs. actual report, and check detail report were distributed at the meeting and are on file for review.

Previous Balance Checking	\$100,093.11
Deposits	\$9,802.53
Expenses	<u>\$49,916.71</u>
Current Checking Balance	\$59,978.93
Current Savings Balance	\$14,814.15
Total	\$ 74,793.15

***PRESIDENT'S REPORT***

Gina mentioned the State Convention is at the Holiday Inn in Hershey PA. This year, making it a drivable destination if anyone is interested.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**REFLECTIONS**

There were 38 projects this year. The projects will be judged on the 10 and 11<sup>th</sup> of November. All art projects will be displayed during the Parent/Teacher conferences.

**ARTIST IN RESIDENCE**

Artist in Residence is in progress. Cheryl Capazuti is the Artist in Residence this year. She has 2 groups of 20 students chosen by testing conducted by Mrs. Kuntz. The students will be making parade type puppets that set on the children's heads with the puppet costume/clothing falling down to about their chest level. During the first day the children in each group discussed and voted on what type of puppets they wanted to make Group A chose to make monsters/aliens while Group B chose Clowns. In addition to working with the core groups, Cheryl is visiting each 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classroom and presenting the art of puppetry using approximately 15 different types of puppets. On Friday she met with Mrs. Kurchena's class and both she and the kids loved the presentation. There will be a presentation/puppet show at the end for entire 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

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**SCIENCE FAIR**

The Science Fair has 105 students signed up, and are currently going through the confirmations.

**HOLIDAY MART**

Superb will be printing the handouts with attached envelopes to be passed out the week of the 16<sup>th</sup>. Holiday Mart will start the day after Thanksgiving break. Setup is on Monday after Thanksgiving, currently looking for volunteers. Payment to superb is made the day left over merchandise is picked up. Laura said she will make sure a check will be there.

**FAMILY FITNESS NIGHT**

Family Fitness night is planning a format similar to the way Family Reading night is formatted. They have been in contact with American Heart Association. They plan room to room visits that may include things like games, nutritionist, blood pressure screening etc.

**PAST EVENTS**

**HALLOWEEN PARTIES**

Halloween Parties were a success with the new time schedule. 233 attended the AM and 300 attended the PM parties. For future parties, they will be suggesting car pools and parking at the Middle school in the announcements. The sign-out procedures may change slightly for a smoother process.

**MEMBERSHIP**

We currently have 690 members. All Teachers are signed up. Since December 1 is the deadline and there are OMDR issues, a hard copy printout will be sent.

**ONGOING EVENTS**

**YEARBOOK**

A request was made for more money to be added to the yearbooks budget. The cost of the yearbooks are going up by one dollar. A motion was made by Kari Bair to change the budget to Income \$11,360 and Expense to 11,650, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Michelle Unruh. The budget change passed by unanimous vote. Also this year all pictures will be accepted in full resolution only, no hard copy prints will be accepted.

**ACCELERATED READER**

All information was received by last Friday. Amy at Renaissance Learning asked who to contact to schedule install date. Mrs. Gray advised to have her call Gene Manzini.

**CUBS CORNER**

Cubs Corner will be open during the Parent/Teacher Conferences. A volunteer sheet was passed around.

**FALL FUNDRAISER**

Even with using Global Connect to remind everyone of the fundraiser pick up, pick up lasted too late in the evening. The Chuck-E-Cheese limo rides will be on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Permission slips will be sent out this week. They will have about ½ hour at Chuck-E-Cheese with 15 tokens per child. Permission slips have a window of time they will leave/return from school. There will not be a make up day, no excuses can be accepted. Volunteers will be at school and Chuck-E-Cheese, and every limo will have a staff member. The Brainshow is on the November 24<sup>th</sup>, the schedule is in the works. No Parents/siblings are permitted to

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attend the brainshow. There is also no make-ups on this event. The first show will be 9:15am and the 2<sup>nd</sup> show at 1:30pm. It was also mentioned that Mrs. Kuntz has an art show scheduled that day, Mrs. Gray will look into the conflict.

**SCHOOL PICTURES**

Kelly Fritz mentioned the school picture people are asking for spring pictures. They are to contact the school directly; the PTA is only at school pictures to help the day move smoothly.

**CHRISTMAS PARTIES**

The day of the Christmas Parties is a 2hr delay. The party times will be AM kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades at 11:15am till 12:15. The PM Kindergarten, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade will be at 2:00pm till 3:00pm. The school is recommending all students ride the bus into school, and to send in notes for afterschool pick ups.

Gina Duncan adjourned the meeting at 2:23pm

There were 15 people in attendance, T Ford, G Duncan, K Bair, L Gray, M Unruh, K Pierce, S Pollock, E Watterson, P Elia, S Emanuel, K Fritz, D Mosley, M Sabo, L Helbling, T Rao. Thanks to everyone who attended!

**Next Executive PTA meeting -**

**Next General Membership PTA meeting - Thursday, January 14th at 6:30 pm**

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Tricia Ford  
Secretary

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Date Approved