

Swift Creek Elementary
PTA Meeting Minutes
August 13th, 2013

Jennifer Rose, PTA President, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The meeting was held at her home.

All PTA members at the meeting were able to introduce themselves to our new principal, Kelly Bradshaw. The meeting minutes from June were approved. Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest forms need to be reviewed and signed by all PTA committee chairs and officers.

Teacher Breakfast

- ❖ There will be a welcome teacher breakfast on Monday, August 19th 8:00-9:00am, at the Macedonia Methodist church. Please look at the online sign-up genius list to help with dishes. This is only for certified staff (no TAs) and we need to provide food for approximately 50 people.
- ❖ PTA will provide gift cards for the teachers to Stones. We need a complete list of full time and part time teachers. If teachers would rather buy specific things for their class, they can get reimbursed by turning in a receipt. Each teacher also receives a grade level grant each year.

Meet the Teacher

- ❖ Meet the Teacher is August 21st, 2:00-4:00
- ❖ The following committees will be represented: Spirit Wear, Membership, PTA Volunteer
- ❖ Grade parent committee should meet with teachers
- ❖ Spirit Wear committee needs change for this day
- ❖ The TAs will not be at school until August 26th
- ❖ Fun Run advertisements need to go up

Fun Run

- ❖ This committee will be at the welcome breakfast on Monday.
- ❖ The theme this year is, Roaring to New Heights.
- ❖ The Fun Run is October 10th and is our biggest fund raising event.
- ❖ We need help filming the video to advertise the Fun Run. If you know of anyone who has filming/editing experience, please let us know.

Budget Item Discussions

- ❖ Science Olympiad would like to be added to the budget and have \$400. We are not having the Spelling Bee this year.
- ❖ Please give Kim a week notice for any Treasury request.
- ❖ Healthy lifestyles submitted a grant. We may want to adjust their budget.
- ❖ If you have any questions about your budget, please ask Kim
- ❖ If you purchase anything, please use our tax id number. We need to get the number from Susan. If you are buying anything from Office Depot, they have our number on file.
- ❖ The Fun Run would like \$2,000
- ❖ Learn to Type program, \$100
- ❖ We'll vote on the budget at the next meeting.

Cultural Arts fair is this weekend. Angela Wiseman will be attending to find performances for the year.

Science Olympiad was a success last year thanks to Martha Weninger. 15 students competed and had a lot of fun. Martha needs someone to continue it, since this is her last year at Swift Creek. She believes that having a team of 15-18 students total, from 4th and 5th, grade worked well.

Open House is September 10th 6:00-8:00. We'll start in the gym with a brief PTA meeting and we'll discuss the Fun Run and review and vote on the proposed budget.

Miscellaneous

- ❖ There are several parent programs that we'd like to look at bringing to the school this year (parent awareness for keeping our children safe from drugs and other external influences).
- ❖ TAs will need help the first week of school laminating. If you can help, please come in any time between 9:00-4:00.
- ❖ The school supply kits will be delivered and placed in the cafeteria next week. The agendas will arrive as well and they are for 3rd through 5th grade.
- ❖ Please remember to join the PTA. Ingrid will make a flyer to go home in the Tuesday folder to advertise joining the PTA. We'll make sure the flyer mentions that both parents are encouraged to join the PTA.
- ❖ Committee members are encouraged to set-up meetings to gain interest and organize for the year.
- ❖ Kim will take on the landscaping needs
- ❖ If you have any info for Swifty Cougar, please email Jennifer Rose and she'll email them out. She does not edit them, she just sends them.
- ❖ We'll host a small gathering in the Media Center the first day of school (2:00-3:00) for the TAs. Refreshments are needed for approximately 11 people.
- ❖ The following positions are needed: Spring Fling, Reflections, Volunteer Coordinator

Principal Report (Kelly Bradshaw & Rossi Wade)

Ms. Bradshaw is very excited to be our principal. She plans to do things very similar to how Bob left them. She's looking forward to Meet the Teacher and Open House. She's excited about a great year ahead. If you are unsure about your bus stop please call. The bus colors have changed this year, but the routes should stay the same. Swift Creek is going to have a school app and it will provide bus information along with other useful information throughout the year.

Our next PTA meeting will be held on September 10th at 6:00 in the gym prior to Open House. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00.

Respectfully submitted by Ingrid Bowman, PTA Secretary