

Swift Creek PTA Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2014

Dina Goembel, PTA President, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm in the media center.

The minutes from the September 2014 meeting were approved. First and second motions were made by Kim Partin and Elizabeth Worthy, respectively.

Introduction of the PTA Officers and Committee Chairs

Dina introduced the PTA officers and teacher representatives for the 2014-2015 school year.

- President, Dina Goembel
- Vice President, Elizabeth Worthy
- Secretary, Marie Dexter
- Treasurer, Kim Partin
- Teacher Representatives, Mary Anne Bratton & Fran Killius

Treasurer's Report

Not much has changed in the budget since the last PTA meeting. Income is now at \$7997.75 and expenses at \$5547.97. The fundraising goal for the Cougar Fun Run is \$20,000. Currently, we have raised only \$6000.

Cougar Fun Run for 2014

This year's theme is "Swift Creek is OUT OF THIS WORLD!" There will be some changes this year – for example how laps will be logged for each student. We'll also have a healthy snack (a banana) for the kids. Due to the possibility of rain, the Fun Run will be held Thursday, Oct 16 (rather than Wednesday, Oct 15). Each child who raises \$40 will be entered in the Grand Prize drawing. As you receive donations, please turn them in to the school, so the folks counting the money don't get overwhelmed at the end.

Painless Fundraising

Marie Dexter sent our Fall submission to the Box Tops for Education program. We should be receiving a check for \$800 (\$514 from the fall submission and the rest from a summer submission) in December. Keep clipping!

Fall Festival

The Fall Festival will be held on Nov 6 from 6-8pm. This event will include the Parade of Pumpkins that we've always had. There will be food, face painting, games, crafts, and music in the gym. At 7:30, there will be a lantern walk in the gym. (These lanterns can be made by the kids in the crafts area.) There will also be a book walk in the gym. Winners will receive a gift certificate to the book fair. (This is a healthy alternative to the cake walk.) The whole family is invited to attend.

We still need help with the set up for this event, especially the lighting. If you have any holiday lights that we could borrow for the night, we'd appreciate it.

Upcoming Cultural Arts Program

The entire school will attend a cultural arts program on Monday, Oct 23. Bay Street Brassworks will come and perform "Brass Can Do Anything." Bay Street Brassworks is an internationally acclaimed performing brass ensemble and is the premiere brass ensemble of its kind.

Highlights from Each Grade Level

Here are some highlights of what each grade level has been working on this month:

- Kindergarten – We now have a fifth kindergarten class. The new teacher is Sharif-Clark. Their color for the Fun Run will be green.
- 1st grade – With the first quarter ending, teachers are holding parent teacher conferences. The students will be switching classrooms for science when the second quarter begins.
- 2nd grade – The second grade went to the Carolina Theater to see a musical performance of Click, Clack, Moo. The children loved it. Some students wrote letters to their favorite characters and “typed” them, just like the cows in the story. They are also harvesting sweet potatoes that the cafeteria will cook. Then they prepared their garden for strawberries. Each of the 4 classes planted 8 strawberry plugs each.
- 3rd grade – The third grade is finalizing their field trip to Roanoke.
- 4th grade – Writer in Residence, poet and author, Michael Beadle, has been working with the fourth graders this week. He is teaching writing as well as integrating North Carolina history into his plans. This cultural arts program was set up by Ms. Wiseman, the PTA chair for cultural events. Fourth grade teachers will be trained on how to integrate iPads into their science instruction. The Leonardo Project (NCSU) will be coming to co-teach with the fourth grade teachers. Through this project, all students will have access to the iPads.
- 5th grade – In Science, the students are having a Town Hall meeting to discuss the effects of pollutants on a real-world ecosystem (the Chesapeake Bay). In Math, they are learning about place value and what happens to whole numbers and decimals when multiplied or divided by a power of 10.

Ms. Bradshaw's Report

Due to extra enrollment, Swift Creek will be able to hire 1.5 TA positions. School enrollment is down about 20 students from last year.

Ms. Bradshaw also presented the testing and accountability results from last year's EOGs. The school did not meet expectations last year. The School Improvement Team is already working to address these issues to improve test results in the upcoming years.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm. The next meeting is Tuesday, Nov 18 at 6:00pm in the gymnasium. This meeting will precede Family Night at the book fair.

Marie Dexter
PTA Secretary 2014-2015

Swift Creek PTA
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 July 1 through October 14, 2014

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 10/14/2014
 Cash Basis

	<u>Jul 1 - Oct 14, 14</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Book Fair	0.00	13,500.00	-13,500.00
Cougar Fun Run	2,473.00	20,000.00	-17,527.00
Family Fun Night	617.23	1,000.00	-382.77
Interest	0.38	5.00	-4.62
Membership Dues	1,315.30	1,500.00	-184.70
Painless Fundraisers	635.73	2,500.00	-1,864.27
Parade of Pumpkins	0.00	900.00	-900.00
Read-A-Book Grant	300.00	500.00	-200.00
School Spirit Sales	2,149.50	4,000.00	-1,850.50
School Store-Income	330.00	750.00	-420.00
School Supply Kits-Income	176.61	4,000.00	-3,823.39
Yearbook Income	0.00	6,000.00	-6,000.00
Total Income	7,997.75	54,655.00	-46,657.25
Expense			
Agendas	944.74	944.74	0.00
Book Fair - Entertainment	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Book Fair Media Ctr Books	0.00	13,500.00	-13,500.00
Cougar Fun Run - Expense	0.00	1,750.00	-1,750.00
Cultural Arts	1,025.00	4,000.00	-2,975.00
Drama Club	0.00	400.00	-400.00
Fifth Grade Celebration	0.00	600.00	-600.00
Healthy Lifestyles	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Insurance Bonding	290.00	290.00	0.00
Landscaping	0.00	300.00	-300.00
Membership - Expense	720.00	1,000.00	-280.00
Miscellaneous - Expense	0.00	125.00	-125.00
Office Supplies	0.00	125.00	-125.00
Painless Fundraisers Expense	0.00	2,500.00	-2,500.00
Parade of Pumpkins - Expense	0.00	900.00	-900.00
Paypal fees	9.22	75.00	-65.78
Principal Discretionary Fund	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Printing	0.00	750.00	-750.00
Printing/Student Directory	0.00	300.00	-300.00
PTA Newsletter Printing	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Read-A-Book Expenses	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Reflections	48.04	500.00	-451.96
Safety Patrol	0.00	150.00	-150.00
School Spirit Expenses	0.00	3,000.00	-3,000.00
School Store - Expense	93.11	500.00	-406.89
School Supply Kits	0.00	4,000.00	-4,000.00
Science Fair	0.00	350.00	-350.00

	Jul 1 - Oct 14, 14	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Spring Fling expenses	0.00	1,900.00	-1,900.00
Staff Appreciation/Hospitality	356.61	2,500.00	-2,143.39
Staff Assistance			
Grade level Grants	0.00	3,600.00	-3,600.00
Teacher Allocations	2,061.25	4,500.00	-2,438.75
Teacher Assistants Allocations	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Total Staff Assistance	2,061.25	8,200.00	-6,138.75
Teacher of the Year	0.00	255.00	-255.00
track team transportation	0.00	125.00	-125.00
Training	0.00	355.00	-355.00
Winter Fling	0.00	500.00	-500.00
Yearbook Expenses	0.00	6,000.00	-6,000.00
Total Expense	5,547.97	59,194.74	-53,646.77
Net Ordinary Income	2,449.78	-4,539.74	6,989.52
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
Carryover from Previous Year	13,478.24	13,478.24	0.00
Total Other Income	13,478.24	13,478.24	0.00
Other Expense			
Painless Fundrsr PY carry over	0.00	300.00	-300.00
* Surplus to be spent/Prior Year	538.95	1,158.95	-620.00
Total Other Expense	538.95	1,458.95	-920.00
Net Other Income	12,939.29	12,019.29	920.00
Net Income	15,389.07	7,479.55	7,909.52

* **Surplus to be spent/Prior Yr Proposed Wish List:**

	Jul 1 - Oct 14, 14	Budget
Type to Learn		100.00
Science Olympiad		400.00
School/PTA website fee	39.95	39.95
All County Chorus		100.00
SchoolInfo App	499.00	499.00
Popsicles on the Playground		20.00
Total	\$ 538.95	\$ 1,158.95