

Swift Creek Elementary
PTA Meeting Minutes
October 8th, 2013

Jennifer Rose called the meeting to order at 7:00 in the Media Center.

The meeting minutes from September were reviewed and approved by Kim Partin and Maryanne Faneck.

Treasurer Report

We have approximately \$4,700 so far from the Fun Run. We are hoping to get most of the Fun Run money this week. School spirit sales have been going well. We paid for agendas and insurance. The Hospitality committee has only spent \$140. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Kim Partin.

New Business

For the last 4 years, the PTA has hosted a Teacher Assistant celebration and it is very much appreciated by the teachers. This celebration is to thank them for all they do and to let them know how much they are appreciated. Last year a limo came to school and brought them to lunch. We'd like to increase the budget for this by \$50, for a total of \$200.

Membership Committee

So far, 157 people have joined the PTA. Our goal is 250 members. Jennifer is handling the membership committee, while we look for a committee chair, and hopes to have a flier in the Tuesday folder soon about joining the PTA.

Painless Fundraisers

We currently do not have a committee chair for this committee and Jennifer is handling it while we look for a chair. We need to get a group together to cut the box tops. We also need to find a place to do a "McTeacher Night", while the McDonald's is being renovated.

Fun Run

The set up time is 7:00-9:00 am. We need volunteers to help set up tents and balloons. The start time is 9:15. The running continues throughout the day.

Parade of Pumpkins

Allison gave an update about this event. It's a family fun night. Kids are allowed to wear costumes, but no masks or weapons. It's similar to a Fall Festival. We'll have cake walks, games, a DJ, bake sale and the main attraction is the pumpkin creations from all of the classes. Each class picks a theme and decorates with pumpkins. Children are also encouraged to decorate a pumpkin and bring it in that night. The individual pumpkins and classwork pumpkin creations are judged.

Cougar Counter

We need volunteers to work the Cougar Counter. The counter is open from 8:45-9:15 every Tuesday and Thursday morning (these days are negotiable). Jennifer is going to refill the counter supply (i.e. erasers, mechanical pencils, etc.). She will send a Swifty Cougar email to let parents know that the counter exists.

Miscellaneous

Ms. Bornman would like to have one volunteer a day for Hooked on Reading from 8:45-9:20. She has one grandmother that comes on Fridays. Jennifer will send a Swifty Cougar email to get interest.

Principal's Report (Kelly Bradshaw & Rossi Wade)

It has been a great start. Everyone's schedules are set. They have hired a technology assistant, Veronica Davis. She had this position in her previous county. Imagine Learning, which is a literacy based system, drills down to the basic reading skills for each grade level. The reading is also very current, including non-fiction topics. This is available to all K-3 students and also students that need extra help in 4th and 5th grades. The School App is being used and they are putting alerts out for any bus that leaves after 4:00. Linda puts the information into the App. We should also put information about getting how to get the App on our website.

Our next PTA meeting will be held on November 12th at 7pm in the Media Center. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectively submitted by Ingrid Bowman, PTA Secretary