

Bluffsview PTA Minutes

October 21, 2014

Donna Kelley Memorial Library

Persons in attendance: Angie O'Brien,, Kelly Needleman, Cindy Fox, Stacy Fields, Jennifer Economus, Robin Emami, Suzann VanNasdale, Megan Mott, Mary Jane Jimenez, Molly Yeager, Kelly Campbell,, Jennifer Oswald, Shelley Horn, Michelle Popelmayer, Stacy Fields, Sarah Britt, Danielle Gulden, Michael Seed, Josh Wayne, Beth Frech, Marla Williams, Pamela Snow, Linh Rhea

President Yeager called meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Officers' Reports

1st Vice President, Kelly Needleman – Fall Family Fun Festival was a success. Asked for any suggestions or ideas for next year.

2nd Vice President, Cindy Fox : Traffic Concerns update given. A meeting with City of Columbus and 2 district Administrators will take place Weds October 22nd at the 220P school release. Items to discuss will be possible pattern change, and hope for signal or lane changes. Committee for traffic is put on hold till after tomorrow's meeting.

Treasurer, Mary Jane Jimenez: Income Report update given. Motion request for Worthington High School Scholarship program donation of \$300 to be given from each of the Worthington Elementary schools. Motion made by Kelly Needleman, 2nd by Jennifer Economus, Passed by entire PTA

Secretary, Angie O'Brien: Minutes from September request for approval. Motion made by Shelly Horn, 2nd by Mary Jane Jimenez, Passed by entire PTA

Teacher representative: Megan Mott

1. 6th grade returned from camp this week.
2. Book Fair begins next week in the Library
3. Unity Day to be held Wednesday October 22nd. All students to wear ORANGE to help build awareness against bullying
4. Canned Food drive to begin next week – donations made to the Worthington Food Pantry
5. October 31st all FALL parties to be held w early dismissal following parade

Worthington Board of Education Rep, Robin Emami: Housekeeping still taking place at their meetings. Still no written minutes have been published to date.

Core Curriculum Committee Rep, Marla Williams: 1st meeting was held and primary discussion involved technology now and for the future of our schools. Goal to have devices/technology to each child in the district. A speaker from Worthington Academy at the meeting to discuss the alternative High School and its plan to offer an opportunity for different educational path as well as drop out prevention. Hoping to open in 2015.

Worthington PTA Council Rep, Jennifer Economus: Attended their first meeting. Basic housekeeping and discussion of the Worthington High School Scholarships previously approved. Process of choosing recipients discussed.

Old Business

- **Family Fun Night/Collins Reception Report** –Held Thursday, October 16, 2014 6-8P. Needleman was point person for event. Mural and presentation to Mrs. Collin’s Corner had a large turnout from new and old students and their families.

New Business

- **Market Day (Sarah and David Britt)** – Pre-made meals for families are available throughout the year. Families are able to purchase and pick up at the school on a certain day and 10% of total purchase is given to Bluffsview Elementary. Discussed the need to raise awareness. Britt family has access to “ChairWeb” which offers various letters, links and newsletters to provide to school families. After only 2 months, we have seen a significant profit and plan on increasing that number with sampling to be done during Parent/Teacher Conference Late night, Wednesday October 29th
- **Sponsorship Ideas (Angie O’Brien)** – presentation of School Year and Spring Carnival Sponsorships. Possible Committee to be formed depending on approval from School District on guidelines for businesses that would qualify and liability questions.
- **Turkey Trot** – Volunteers needed for the event to be held during the school day on November 25th during recess and related arts classes. A fundraiser in the form of a “Walk A Thon” with donations going towards the purchasing of Chrome Books for the students.
- **Magazine Sale** – 1st portion of the fundraiser through Great American Opportunities is completed. This required students to fill out a booklet w/ addresses of friends and family members to encourage magazine sales. 2nd part of fundraiser to come at a later date. Shelley Horn looking into other options for school to raise funds through this company.
- **Box Tops (Sarah Caceamise)** – There is a contest that will be presented to families via email in the near future on how to best utilize Box Tops as well as Target Red Cards.
- **Yearbook Sale : January 12-16, 2015** – Some parents already purchased via the photography company when offered during the re-takes
- **COSI on Wheels: January 16, 2015** – This year’s all day program on the topic of Exploring Ecology will involve exploring the outdoors through the science of prairies, forests, rivers and wetlands. Students will investigate animal adaptations, life cycles, and learn how parts of an ecosystem are connected. The need for volunteers will be sent via email in the coming weeks.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm. Motion: Needleman 2nd: Jimenez

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 20, 2015 7:00pm