

TAMC PTO

Agenda for meeting on Thursday, August 11, 2016

1. **Welcome/introductions** - Jennifer
 - Jennifer Yates Quesinberry, President
 - Tina King, VP
 - Kari Skellington, Treasurer
 - Lisa Roby, Secretary
2. **PTO so far** – Jennifer
 - a. Membership numbers – 143 email list/67 paying members out of approximately 300 students
 - b. Back to School Social- 100-150 people, maybe continue annually
3. **Finance report** – Kari – Current balance \$2,232.73 does not include playground money of \$23,000; moved account to First Bank
4. **Committee reports** –2 co-chairs per committee, Will send names and emails of people who signed up for a committee to chairs, would like as much help as possible to chairs
 - a. **Fundraisers** – Tina King, Raven Poindexter
 - i. T-shirt sales –
 - Couple of bumps with sales, ran out of XS and L. Will order more XS and L next year. Lots of M, few S left. Reorder of T-Shirts is possible, will do sweatshirts as it gets cooler.
 - PTO - Recouped money spent on T-shirts
 - Decals are available - \$10 each, School Logo
 - ii. Read-A-Thon
 - First time this year.
 - Fundraiser – people donate \$ to encourage child to read.
 - 90% goes to school.
 - Mainly online but can accept cash and check.
 - Will have a code sent home on Monday.
 - Business owners can donate and advertise on website.
 - Winners: #1 student per class will win for most sales, #1 class with highest amount raised and #1 class with most hours read will each win an ice cream party
 - iii. Apples? Diversify efforts – maybe do with Fall Festival
 - iv. Purse Bingo – Last Year Successful
 - Elks donate facility/ 300+ people in attendance
 - 20 name brand purses, many of them donated.

- \$20 for 20 games and \$15 at the door for extra games
 - Served wine and beer
 - “Breakfast at Tiffany’s” theme
 - Raised \$8000
 - No kids
 - Overall easy fundraiser but needs help selling tickets and subcommittees.
- v. Butter Braids - Did a few years ago with a good reception
- vi. IDEAS OR SUGGESTIONS?? Contact a member!
- b. **School Beautification** – Jennifer Yates, Crystal Bonville
- Last year inside work was helpful in Spring
 - In conjunction with playground this fall, plans to do outside work such as plant trees, finish playground, make overall outside look great.
 - Possibly recruit help from church groups, Trail Life, Girl Scouts
- i. Fall
1. Playground ground-breaking – Tentatively on Thursday, Sept 8 at 5pm
Playground History:
 - Discussed last year and ready to build in less than a year.
 - Overall Cost \$52,000
 - \$5,000 Lowes grant
 - \$15,000 Kaboom grant
 - \$18,500 PTO money from fundraisers last year
 - \$13,500 school board loaned money. Want fundraisers to pay back this year.
 - Wednesday at 330 meeting with playground vendor.
 - Intercession playground build Oct 1-7
 - Before next meeting decide on ground breaking ceremony
 - Advertise through various media outlets and invite community leaders.
 - After intersession, ribbon cutting with all the kids. Tentative date 17 October at 9AM
 2. Vote on colors for playground – colors determined following meeting
 3. Incorporate other outside projects during playground build week
 - Plant trees
 - Clean up grounds
 - NEED A LOT OF VOLUNTEERS!
- ii. Spring – March?, dates to follow, many inside projects
- c. **Fall Festival** – Brittney Packard, Teia Bergen
- i. Friday, October 21
 - ii. Food trucks (BBQ, Raging Rooster?), Trunk or Treat, games, haunted rooms, etc

- iii. Need volunteers for ideas and decorating and games, will send out an email once committee list is sent. Try and have an update by the 8th of Sept.
 - d. **Purse Bingo** – Abbie Locklear, Kristen Lentz
 - i. Saturday, Nov 19
 - e. **Christmas Toy Shop** – Raven Poindexter, Shannon Silvernail
A lot of volunteers needed during week to help with Toy Shop
 - f. **Family Nights** – Kari Skellington, Tina Hutchinson
Ideas for this year:
 - Engineering night for kids; Family Safety night; Astronomy night – anyone with telescope to volunteer; wildlife night
 - g. **Spring Carnival** – Raven Poindexter, Shannon Silvernail
Very successful last year: bounce house, games, popcorn, fun
Not a fundraiser – just for fun
 - h. **Teacher appreciation** – Kristina Leyden, Brittney Packard
May – do nice things for our teachers, need lots of volunteers
5. **By-laws**
- same as 2 years ago, modified insignificant details such as grammar
 - No concerns – Unanimously voted Yes
6. **Upcoming events:**
- a. Read-A-Thon - August
 - b. Book Fair – September? – if available during day to help, please email
 - c. Engineering Night – September?
 - d. Grandparent’s Day – September
7. **Next meeting:** Thursday, September 8 (2nd Thursday every month)
Eat 530-6, 6-7 meeting

Add On:

- Destination Imagination – Proposed by Erik Marshall
- After school program - no day or time yet
- Program Inspires kids to be innovators
- Needs at least one additional volunteer. Email him at esmarshall0630@gmail.com if interested

Creative thinking and higher learning – requires investment from team management. Start with a pilot 3-5th grade, this year and see. Does go from State to World competition. Looking for volunteers and to launch this year and possibly expand next year.

Begin Meeting 6pm

End Meeting 640pm