

Cypress Woods Elementary

PTA Board Meeting: 9:30 a.m. 10/13/2016

Attendees: Leona Wells, Lauri Abrams, Kathleen Parker, Stacey Wendol, Joelle Gladwin, Catherine Rutherford, Stephany Dawson, Nicole Wimer, Rebecca Rey, Suzanne Seen, Gladys Carpenter

1 – Mrs. Parker started the meeting with her Administrative Report (see attached)

- Veterans Day Program – Mrs. Freeman (music) is back and the speaker is TBA
- CWE Construction – Plans in development to build a 2-story building to eliminate portables. Will re-route bus circle. In regard to PTA proposal of an additional playground – advised to table the discussion until further architectural decisions have been reached and then at the Jan. 2017 meeting the proposed playground can be worked into the plans.
 - The construction is out for bid
- STEM – expanded to 2nd / 3rd grades. Possible expansion for more in 4th – but need teacher
- Poinsetta Sales to benefit 5th Grade DC trip – PTA will help promote on FB page. Delivered Tuesday after Thanksgiving
- Naglieri Test – Kindergarten was the chosen grade for testing
- County mandates BMI screening, in addition to sight and hearing

2 – Leona reviewed Past Month Events

- APD breakfast – 160 kids/fathers. Looking to get more leadership and leverage the APD group into other areas of the school/community. Suggestions: math/science night, science/son night, clean up school, community Youth Sherriff Ranch event
- FFF - \$9400 raised as result of decrease of expenses and increase profit. Additional hour allowed for better flow of attendance and no parking issues. Other dates for FFF was discussed. Possible need for a community sponsor next year.
- Walk to School – Went well. Deputy Wilson spoke with the kids at the library and was well received
- Math/Science Night – Divide between K-2 and 3-5. Kids loved it. Recommendation to have more science explanation and better teacher/student ratio

3- Leona reviewed upcoming events

-Reflections: Arts – revived. Submissions due Nov. 11. Theme to be determined and Mrs. Parker will let us know if a grade level can participate. Seeking Committee Leaders

-PTA Meetings: Alternated morning and evening to facilitate working parents

-Angel Tree – reviewed what is for new attendees – Rebecca Rey and Gladys Carpenter stated they wanted to help lead the committee. Those students who qualify for Free and Reduced lunch will

qualified for Angel Tree. Discussed coupling with another school, but take care of CWE families in need first.

-Intermediate Reading Night 3-5 – Led by Mrs. Mulligan and Ms. K

4. Financial Report – Stacey Wendol

-Sept. deposited \$7000

-Astroskate raised \$1300 – thank you to volunteers – consider that those students who rent trainers or can't skate have a parent attend

-Expenses: \$8,000

-Tech Fund: MyOn Reading

-P.E. to spend funds

-Recess Fund – need a shade tent option – recommended buying Pop Up Tents – Mrs. Parker will review with Maintenance

5. Eaglethon Update: Suzanne Seen/Stephany Dawson – reviewed the concept with new attendees and reiterated need for volunteers. Pep Rally, Retain Funds though volunteer run fundraiser.

6. Gala – Lauri Abrams – discussed need for volunteers and for a save the date – Feb. 25, 2017

7. Membership Update – have 279 members to date. Reviewed the list from last year and proposed ways to recruit or re-sign members. Suggested that the membership form is reversed so that potential members can just sign up without obligation to volunteer. Offer 'exclusive' email notification as members. Ramp up for membership again in October.

8. Open agenda: discussed concern of no school zone designations and child safety from Eastlake Road. There is a county meeting on 11/18.

-Discussed the parking lot at the library. Approval for pending – pathway