

Windsong PTO Meeting Minutes
September 3, 2009

I. The meeting was called to order at 0900 by Beth Stanfield. Twenty-nine members were present, two faculty members, and the executive board.

II. Mrs. Guerra welcomed everyone back. Parent orientation for 4th grade will be held on Tuesday September 15 and Thursday September 17th for 5th and 6th graders.

III. Approval of May 2009 Minutes: Kathy Ratliff made a motion to approve the May minutes, Sheri Barber seconded that motion. After a vote the minutes were approved.

IV. Reports

a. Co-Chairs: Beth Stanfield and Kim Girouard

1. Thanks for coming to the meeting, lots of great things happening with PTO
2. The October and November meetings will be held in the evening beginning at 6:30pm
3. PTO has a new website designed and managed by Alan Stanfield please check that out. To go directly to the website type www.windsongpto.org
All forms needed for PTO can be found on the website.
4. The former fall family fun night has been changed to The Windsong Stallion Stampede and will be held in February, the date is still pending but will be either the 19th or the 20th.
5. Windsong has implemented Spirit days, students are asked to wear their Windsong school shirt or any other Friendswood blue shirt to school on those days. Spirit days coming up are September 25th, October 9th, and November 20th.
6. New this year will be a Spirit store. Students will be able to purchase Friendswood Mustang items during lunch. More information will follow.
7. T-shirts are selling fast, thanks to Ruth Foster for doing a great job.
8. Thanks to Barbara Rhyne for a great back to school teacher luncheon.
9. PTO name tags will be for sale for \$10, pls. contact Alan Stanfield if you are interested. Please continue to check-in at the front desk, at the time you check-in the secretary will hand you your name tag.

B. Vice-President: Cindy Carlin

1. Information from committees to be included in the October notepad need to be in to Cindy no later than September 15th.

C. Treasurer: Alan Stanfield

1. The 2009-2010 budget changes: Hospitality budget was increased, two new fundraisers, and the spirit store were added onto the budget and the budget for the Stallion Stampede was increased.
2. A motion was made by Renae Turnbaugh to approve the 2009-2010 budget second made by Julie Burwell.
3. The budget is available on-line to view

D.Secretary: Sandy Calapan: no report

E.Committee Reports: All committee chairs please be prepared to give an up-date On your committee prior to your event and after. If you are unable to do so pls. Contact either Beth or Kim to give your report. Also all committee chairs Please have any correspondents going home to students approved by the PTO Co-chairs as well as Mrs. Guerra. The Friendswood printshop will need five business days to finish requests. Also, any items being purchased that are not in the approved budget must be brought before the board. Make sure all purchases for PTO are made using the tax-exemption. Committee members will not be reimbursed for tax paid. Tax-exemption forms, deposite slips, and reimbursement slips are all located on the PTO website.

1. Book Fair: will start the week of February 22nd
2. Box Tops: slow start for the beginning of the yr. teachers will be giving students tickets for box tops turned in.
3. Cafeteria Sales: Boo Grams will be October 28th and 29th if you are able to help out on either of those days during student lunches pls. contact Jennifer Sweiter. Jennifer's information can be found on the PTO website.
4. Family Fun Night: Name has changed to Stallion Stampede and will be held in February. Plans are still underway for that but baskets will still be raffled.
5. Hospitality: Barbara Rhyne presented her proposal for the increase in budget for hospitality. As well as the scheduled teacher luncheons, the committee will be adding special treat days for the teachers and staff.
6. LINK: Link breakfast was held on the Friday before school started for all new students to Friendswood. The parents and students were treated to breakfast, and a tour of the school. There was positive feedback from a PTO member who was new to the district last year.
7. Recess Buckets: Each teacher was provided new playground equipment such as kickballs, and basketballs, also there is some shared equipment located in each pod.
8. Room Mom Coordinator: Room Mom meeting September 24th at 9:30am
9. Social Committee: One social night per grade. Students are dropped off at the school for an evening to eat, play games and just have fun.
10. Membership/Directory: Approx. 390 people have signed up for PTO. 18 ads have been submitted for the directory and the deadline for ads is Friday September 4th. Yearbook ads can still be purchased for \$25 and are due on September 24th.
11. Safety: Vice Principal Jan Lane asked for a representative to attend the district safety meetings held at the administration bldg. several times a year. Also new for this yr. there is no longer a call tree, parents will be receiving a Form with instructions on signing up for the district newsflash so they can be Contacted via e-mail or by text for emergencies.
12. Skate Night: Each grade level will have their own skate night at PearWood Skate in October, the dates are being confirmed. Students will purchase wrist Bands during lunch that will allow them to be checked in faster at the Skate

Center. It's being discussed to charge more for wristbands at the door to encourage parents to purchase wristbands early.

13. T-shirts: More t-shirts have been ordered and orders will be filled asap.

V. Old Business: none

VI. New Business:

A. Spirit Store will be chaired by Tawni Slaughter

B. School Mall: No cost to the school or PTO for signing up. Parents can shop online at the listed stores and a percentage of the sale will come back to the school.

VII. Closing: A motion was made by Debi Cox to adjourn the meeting and a second was made by Andrea Rabolis.