

Forest Park PTA Meeting

August 29, 2011 @ 1:30

Agenda Item

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Welcome/PTA Overview

Sarah Cook

Old Business

Approval of Minutes

Ashley Jackson

Sarah reminded all that minutes are on the PTA website, and no longer presented at meetings. Ashley asked for corrections or additions to the minutes. There were none. Peyton Woodyard moved to accept minutes. The motion passed.

Budget

Lael Foster

Lael presented the written budget. There were no questions, nor discussions. Sarah introduced the PTA reimbursement forms that are to be used this year.

Committee Recognition and Calendar

Sarah Cook.

Sarah thanked committees that have worked hard all summer to get ready for the start of the school year. These included the Check-In Committee, Grounds, and John Greer who has spent hours on the Mobile Mac lab.

Principal's Message

Theresa Ketcher

Mrs. Ketcher reminded parents of the letter she sent home the first week of school stating how well Forest Park students did on benchmark tests last year. Please see the letter that went home. Scores were outstanding! Students have grown each year. She thanked parents for support and said that the year is off to great start.

New Business

Watch Dogs

Scott Allison and Clark Raborn

Andrew Webre started the program a few years ago. It has been very successful. Scott and Clark are taking over as head "Watch Dogs". Clark announced that signup will be at Spaghetti Supper rather than a separate pizza party. Sarah encouraged dads to wear shirts Thursday night to Open House.

Fall Fundraisers: Innisbrook

Tricia Greer

Tricia reported that the wrapping paper fundraiser (Innisbrook) will kick off with a magic show on September 12th, and end the 26th. Online orders are encouraged. If school sells total 150 items, the whole school gets ice cream party! The Top 20 sellers will be entered into a raffle for an Ipad 2. She passed out a sign up for volunteers for 9/28. There is a \$25,000 nationwide prize/drawing for online orders. Packets will come home soon.

5th grade

Katherine Allen/Nicole Locke

Katherine said that 5th grade will continue to sell popsicles for a few weeks. Other 5th grade fundraising activities will include a Chick-fil-a night that will have details to follow. They are raising money to go to Camp Lakewood in MO this year.

Spaghetti Supper at Open House

**Jody Cummins/Camille
Easley/ Katherine Allen**

Katherine explained that volunteers are still needed for the Spaghetti Supper this Thursday, especially the last 2 shifts. Everyone is encouraged to come! A sign-up sheet was circulated.

Fall Social

Cara Nolan/Jennifer Bethel

Jennifer reported that the Fall Social will be Friday September 9th. It will be *Fine Art of Tailgating* benefiting Spanish and Art Programs. It will be held at Salut Bistro—She extend a special thanks to Dave Bisceglia for all of his efforts to help Forest Park and for having the party at Salut. The Committee will also be selling Razorback cups. Volunteers are needed to help decorate and to bring beer. Sign-ups were circulated

eBlasts

Sheryl McKelvey

Sarah reported for Sheryl. Please get items for the eBlast to Sheryl by Friday before the next Wednesday's eBlast.

Recruitment

Jenny Faulkner

Jenny said that the Recruitment Committee is already gathering names of potential Forest Park Students. She passed out sheets for names of families who might be interested in FP.

100th Anniversary database

Neal Lea

Neal stated that the 100th Anniversary starts next school year. Her committee is collecting names of alums for a database. Please send any information to forestpark100@gmail.com

Directory

Annamary Thompson

Sarah reported that Annamary Thompson will be taking over the directory this year. It will have a new look. The PTA will be selling ads to offset cost of the new directory. An announcement will be in Wednesday's eBlast for businesses to participate. 1st fifteen will be taken. Cost will be:

\$200 on back cover/approx. 5 ads per page

\$100 on inside (2 pages)/approx. 5 ads per page

Pumpkins in the Park

Valerie Bell

Valerie is getting a committee together for Pumpkins in the Park. Valerie passed a volunteer sheet around. The festival will be Oct 22nd from 11-2.

Book Club

Matty Ross

Matty explained that the Book Club helps get books into the library. For \$20, a book will dedicated, in the library, to your child or teacher. A recognition sticker will be placed in the front of the book. Matty has forms, or check website for more information.

PTA Membership

Laura Landreaux/Tricia Greer

Tricia had a new PTA membership list for review. She encouraged those present to verify their membership status.

Ink Cartridge Supply Service

Sarah Cook

A service will stock recycled ink cartridges for the teachers. PTA will encourage families to recycle ink cartridges to offset costs. This will be more cost efficient than purchasing new ink cartridges at local retailers.

PTA Website

E.W. Swan/Sarah Cook

Sarah reported E.W. is handling website this year!

Everybody's Business:

Amy Maxon asked for people to volunteer to work in the nurse's office on Tuesdays. Signup will be on the eBlast. There will also be a sign up to help Mrs. Crosslin in the office.

Wireless is up and running!

Safari Montage equipment is in and ready to install!

Meeting Adjourned

2:10 Guest Speaker

Melanie Fox, LRSD Board President

Dates to Remember

- September 1 Spaghetti Supper 5-6:30, Rooms open 6-7pm
- September 9 Fall Social @ Salut Bistro 6 pm
- September 12-26 Fall Fundraiser/Innisbrook
- September 13 Forest Park Chick-fil-A night (5th grade fundraiser)
- September 23 Patriotic Assembly 9 a.m.
- October 3 PTA General Meeting at 1:30
- October 5 Stride Pride Day/Walk to School
- October 13-14 NO School (teacher record day, conferences)
- October 22 Pumpkins in the Park at the school 11 am-2 pm
- October 26-28 Grandparents and Special Friends Day

Forestpark100@gmail.com to submit names for database
fpwatchdogs@gmail.com to sign up for Watch D.O.G.S.

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