

# Forest Park PTA Meeting

## February 6, 2012 at 1:30

### Agenda Item

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#### **Welcome/PTA Overview**

**Sarah Cook**

Sarah called the meeting to order and thanked all for coming.

#### **Special Presentations**

**Executive Board Members**

Sarah explained that the LR PTA Council and the AR State PTA asks our PTA to nominate staff members and others for awards each year. The Executive Committee met, and the award for the Outstanding Teacher was presented to Cheryl Riley, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Lauri Allison presented the award.

Mr. Molden was awarded the outstanding support staff member. Unfortunately, he is out on sick leave. His award is being sent to him.

Cyndi Moore was honored with a Lifetime PTA Membership. Peyton Woodyard presented Mrs. Moore with her award.

Other PTA award nominations submitted included:

Children's Champion- Amy Maxon

Heroic Effort- Angie Spencer

Outstanding PTA-Forest Park

#### **Old Business**

##### **Approval of Minutes**

**Ashley Jackson**

Ashley reminded all that the minutes are posted on the PTA website. There were no additions or corrections suggested to December's minutes. Lauri Allison made a motion to approve the minutes, Lael Foster seconded, and the motion carried.

##### **Budget**

**Lael Foster**

Lael presented the budget. There were no questions nor discussions.

##### **Thank yous**

**Sarah Cook**

Sarah passed around thank you notes from several teachers and staff members. The thank you notes were from the holiday efforts as well as notes from Ms. Dawson and Mr. Williams.

#### **Principal's Message**

**Theresa Ketcher**

Mrs. Ketcher announced that Forest Park was nominated as a National Blue Ribbon School. There are 8 components to the application process. These will go on the website. Mrs. Ketcher also thanked all for the care and compassion that has been expressed to her and her family during the passing of her loved one.

#### **New Business**

##### **Nominating Committee Jennifer Ronnel**

Jennifer Ronnel passed out written ballots for a vote. The votes were tallied. The following people were elected to serve on the nominating committee:

Shelly Rayburn

Neal Lea  
Sharon Denery  
Conley Golden  
Katherine Allen  
Leslie Fisker  
Kimberly Bowman

**Art in the Park      Kimberly Bowman**

Kimberly mentioned that it was time to order t-shirts (by Thursday). Jennifer Sperry is heading the wine raffle. If interested in donating wine, please contact her. Art projects are due 2/14. Lael has a list of who has purchased tickets. Kimberly said that there are lots of great live and silent auction items. She encouraged all to attend the event on February 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Little Rock Marathon      Denise Laster**

Kids are doing miles on Mondays. Kids earn feet charms for each mile. Denise will be available each afternoon until the marathon for kids to run miles on the track. The Marathon is March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**President's Day      Kelly Eichler**

Kelly talked about a fun unit that will be presented during the week leading up to President's Day. Each day FP students will be given fun facts and activities about US Presidents. The fifth grade will take a guided tour of Clinton Library on President's Day.

**Community Partners      Peyton Woodyard**

Businesses that support the school with proceeds or gifts in kind are mentioned in the e-blast and given a Community Partners plaque. Contact Peyton for more information.

**Announcements**

**Presentations**

**Sheila McKinnis**

Mrs. Dawson was recognized for National Counselor's Appreciation Day which is celebrated February 8th.

**Chick-fil-a Night**

**Sarah Cook**

Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> is Chick-fil-a night for Forest Park. Chick-fil-a will donate a percentage of purchases to the school. Please mention that you are with Forest Park!

**Prospect Terrace Park**

**Cindy Moore, Angie Spencer**

Cyndi Moore talked about the revitalization of Prospect Terrace Park. She showed a map of the proposed renovations. She encouraged all to buy pavers to help support the cause. Pavers will cost \$150 and can be engraved. The funds will purchase playground equipment for the park. Information will be sent home in backpacks.

Sarah adjourned the meeting at 2:09

**2:10      Guest Speaker**

**Sharon Long, Centers for Youth and Families**  
"Children and Technology: What is Too Much?"

**Dates to Remember**

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| February 7         | Chick-fil-a Night                      |
| February 8         | School Counselor Appreciation Day      |
| February 10 and 13 | No School                              |
| February 14        | Class Valentine's Day Parties          |
| February 25        | Art in the Park @ Cotham's in the City |
| February 27        | PTA Executive Meeting @ 1:30           |

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