

# Forest Park PTA Meeting

## October 3, 2011@ 1:30

### Agenda Item

### For More Info. Contact

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

**Sarah Cook**

Sarah called the meeting to order and welcomed all. She announced that there would be a guest speaker, Tammy Blaylock, from the LRSD VIPS office.

#### **Old Business**

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

**Ashley Jackson**

Minutes are posted on the PTA website. Ashley asked for additions or corrections to the minutes. There were none. Peyton Woodyard moved to accept the minutes from the last meeting. The motion passed.

##### **Budget**

**Lael Foster**

Lael presented the budget. She discussed online order fees, as well as totals for the year to date. Fall Social raised nearly \$2200.

##### **Report from Fundraiser**

**Tricia Greer**

Tricia explained that she is still collecting the last of the money and forms from Innisbrook. Tuesday is the very last day! FP Students have sold 2333 units so far, which is over the set goal. There will be a Party on Friday(Oct 7). An Ice Cream truck will come at recess, and all kids will get to participate. The iPad will also be given away on Friday afternoon.

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

**Theresa Ketcher**

Mrs. Ketcher reminded parents of the attendance policy and tardiness rules. It is important for students to come to school on time. She also thanked parents for their involvement. She said that the staff and students recognize involvement of dedicated parents and appreciate their efforts.

#### **New Business**

##### **All Aboard Night**

**Sarah Cook**

All Aboard Restaurant will give 10% of sales to Forest Park on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.

##### **Stride Pride Day**

**Angie Spencer**

Angie Spencer stated that this Wednesday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, is Stride Pride Day. Donna Terrell of Fox 16 News will be here. Walkers will receive a bracelet for participating. Two more volunteers are still needed to help out.

##### **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Fundraising/Parents Night Out**

**Katherine Allen/Nicole Locke**

Katherine reported that the 5<sup>th</sup> grade will host a Parent's Night Out on Oct 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:30-8:30. Kids will be served pizza, have lots of fun outdoor activities, and even make seed-clay balls to help Texas Wildfire relief efforts.

##### **Pumpkins in the Park**

**Amber Brewer**

Sarah explained that Pumpkins in the Park will be Oct 22nd. Order forms will go home tomorrow. Michelle Willoughby went over details of the pumpkin scarecrow that each grade will create. A volunteer sign up was passed around.

##### **Grandparents' Day**

**Jennifer Sperry/Stacie Wickliffe**

Jennifer reported that Grandparents' Day will be Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. A sign up for volunteers was passed around. More information will come in the eblast. Details are still in the works!

##### **Ink Cartridge Recycling**

**Laura Shue**

Cartridge World has recycling contract with FP to recycle ink cartridges. There will be a contest between classes to see who brings the most used ink cartridges. The class with the most will get a free recess. FP receives money for recycled cartridges.

### **Yearbook ads**

Dottie said that packets will come home this week for ordering yearbook ads. There will be early bird special. Also, there are digital cameras in the tech lab. Parents can use those for FP events and the photos can later be downloaded for yearbook use. Please send photos to [forestparkyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:forestparkyearbook@gmail.com)

### **Dottie Day**

### **Flumist**

Tamara told the PTA that LRSD is conducting a Flumist and Flumist Clinic at FP on Nov. 14 from 2:00-5:30. Shots and mist will be available for immediate family. Vaccines will be free; however, insurance will be billed.

### **Dr. Tamara Perry**

### **Tutoring**

Tamara explained that FPPTA used to have a volunteer tutoring program. Then, the school utilized Reading Recovery to help students. RR has now lost funding. Tamara discussed the need for a volunteer tutoring program. She encouraged parents to please consider tutoring in your child's class or grade. Commitments will likely be 30 minutes per week. Forms and sign-up sheets were available.

### **Dr. Tamara Perry**

### **Nurse Volunteers**

Amy asked for volunteers in the Nurse's office on Tuesdays. Shifts are available on Volunteer Spot or contact Amy. She also said that Chess club will start up soon. It will be every other Tuesday after school. More information will be in the eblast.

### **Amy Maxson**

### **Recruitment**

Katherine Raborn said Open House is coming soon. Letters to perspective parents will be mailed soon. She encouraged people to help personalize the letters after the meeting.

### **Jenny Faulkner**

### **Announcements**

#### **Pop Tabs/100<sup>th</sup> Day**

Tiffany talked about Ronald McDonald House. The charity is asking students to help collect pop tabs in conjunction with the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. The Pop Tabs Program raises funds for RMH, which helps families of ACH patients.

### **Tiffany Lindsey**

#### **Carpool**

Sharon asked that parents do not park on the right side of Tyler because it prohibits the carpool line and blocks the buses. Watchdog Dads will be asked to help with carpool flow. Please stay off Polk (where buses park) as well. These efforts will all make carpool easier.

### **Sharon Denery**

#### **Directories-\$8 for an extra copy**

Sarah announced that the new directories are out! She thanked Annamary Thompson for her hard work on a wonderful directory. Extra copies will be \$8

### **Sarah Cook**

### **Meeting adjourned 2:11**

### **2:10 Guest Speaker**

**Tammy Blaylock, LRSD VIPS Office**

### **Dates to Remember**

October 4	Forest Park Night at All Aboard
October 5	Stride Pride/National Walk to School Day
October 13-14	No School (teacher record day, conferences)
October 20	School Pictures
October 21	Parents' Night Out/5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Fundraiser
October 22	Pumpkins in the Park 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
October 27-28	Grandparents' Day
November 14	Flumist Clinic 2-5:30 p.m.

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