

Board Attendees:
Jason McConachy, Kim Painter, Sarah Yurasko, Theresa Thomas, & Becky Rotem
Members:
Mena Nakhla, Beth Nakhla, Jennifer Thompson, Jack Emerson, Stephanie McGuire, Molly Quinones, Anne Neumann, Kim Hintos, Melanie Manikas, Megan Davis, Olivia Andrada, Elizabeth Carroll, Jennifer Hallman, Ashley Kurdika, Kara Goehring, Lisa Baxter, Jenn Dixon

Pre-meeting presentation by Megan Davis.

Meeting Minutes:

Call to Order

J. McConachy called the meeting to order at 7:12pm

SCA Update:

Presented by SCA President Jack Gianoukos and Historian Tara Thompson

- Thank you for donating to our Treats for Troops drive. We collected over 17K pieces of candy. 1st grade won the dessert party for donating the most.
- 11/22 is the last day for our Thanksgiving food drive. All cans go to Echo. The grade level that donates the most items will win a popcorn party.
- We are still collecting plastic through April for a competition with Trex Recycling. So far we have collected 360 pounds of plastic!
- We are planning for Jeopardy game night on January 14 from 7-8pm in the Cafeteria. 4th, 5th, and 6th graders can compete in the show.
- We are planning a pep rally for Lake Braddock's girls' softball team in the spring
- Kona ice will do charity fund raisers on last day of school again

President's Update:

- Approval vote:
 - Motion to approve the October 17 PTA General Membership Minutes as presented: Kim Hintos
 - Seconded: Anne Neuman
 - Passed by popular vote

2nd VP Report:

- We still need a volunteer to do school kits. This role involves coordinating with the school supply vendor and the school office to put together packages to pre-buy school supplies for next school year.
- Volunteer recognition:
 - Kristin Fancher – and everyone who donated food to soup lunch on 11/4
 - Casey Obringer donated prizes to the pumpkin patch for 70 students participating
 - Volunteers helping with donuts with a loved one.
- Committee chair recognition
 - Kim Hintos for membership

- Becky Nelson & Molly Quinones for new families
- Monica Fischer and Sara Scott for book fair
- Jennifer Hallman, Amy Novak, and Kristin Sinclair for Audit
- Mena Nakhla for FCCPTA PTA rep and SACC liaison
- Emily Becker & Liz Gibbons for Reflections
- Casey Obringer for bulletin boards

Treasurer's Report:

- We received a \$2K grant from Safeway.
- We have 189 PTA members. Membership is our most significant way of getting funding and we did great this year
- We have had successful restaurant night fundraisers for the PTA
- We are doing really well so far and we will revisit some budgeting items as the year continues. The current budget doesn't reflect Chipotle night yet because we didn't get the money yet.
- You can continue to support through Amazon smile.
- We will talk as a board for what to do after the holidays, and if you have ideas on ways we can have an impact on the school and ways the school can use funding – the next few weeks are a good time to shoot Jason a note or talk to people on Exec board.

1st VP Report:

- Chipotle restaurants night raised \$396 and was a success.
- 12/6 is our first family paint night. It sold out quickly. If it goes well, we plan on having 2 more events. We get \$5 back to the PTA for each participant.
- Our next big PTA event isn't until January, when we have a PTA Bingo night.

Committee Chairs Reports:

- Library committee chair (Elizabeth Carroll)
 - We are putting together a family reading night and book swap. She is working on it with Ms. Hammond. Students will be able to bring 1-5 books and take that many new books home. There will be a craft to make a book mark, some guest readers. We want this to be a free event. Does anyone know any great storyteller? Or anyone who wants to read about their profession? Or sports player? The date we are aiming for is 2/6, a Thursday evening. If you have ideas or suggestions or want to volunteer to help let Elizabeth know.
- Staff Relations (Lisa Baxter)
 - Lisa introduces Kara who will be her teammate. On 12/16 we are going to do a staff breakfast. More details to come, but it will be the last week of school to kick off for the holiday season.
- Spirit Wear (Jack Emerson)
 - Today is the last day of our winter spirit wear sale. If you're looking for anything – there is still some stock of leftover items that you can check on.

President's Update Continued:

- There is a lot of PTA work going on behind the scenes.

- The PTA bulletin board at the entrance of the school is pictured in the Weekly Highlights, and that is a work of art.
- The new family committee delivers gifts to new families that got a lot of good feedback.
- Excellent membership numbers this year.
- The book fair took work by a lot of parents and Ms. Hammond to make that work.
- We had a tremendous donuts donation from Wegmans (500 donuts) for Donuts with a Loved One and Starbucks donated coffee.
- We have new winter spirit wear offerings this year.
- We have a new paint night that we are trying.
- The Staff relations has been very active and the teachers are very thankful
- The Reflections Gallery was a success. The artwork was displayed, students read pieces. We have that program due to the PTA volunteers who wanted to do it.
- This is our last meeting before the holidays. We are grateful for all of these contributions and everything you are doing to make this work.

Closing:

- Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm