

Suntree Elementary PTO

Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2011

9:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order with approximately 20 parents and administration present.

Minutes from September 6th meeting are posted online and will be up for approval next meeting.

Treasurer's Report – Mrs. Harrison

Balance as of October 6, 2011 - \$7,819.02 Motion raised regarding the balance and why it was over the \$1,500 limit in by-laws. Discussed were reasons why balance was not cleared at the end of last term, future changes to bylaws, and more information as to where the money has come from and where it is earmarked for.

Committee Update

Committee Chairs:

Spell-A-Thon ---Deirdre Carroll and Rosa Santos

Box Tops---Anna Frederick Collection on 1st Wednesday of month from students

Collection on 1st Thursday from teachers Will have balance information next meeting. Anna suggested that PTO meetings alternate between mornings and after-school, so that more parents and teachers will be able to be involved.

Labels for Education---Beth Montalvo Collection on 1st Wednesday of month from students

Collection on 1st Thursday from teachers (same as Box Tops) Not much from this collection. Will need to send out another reminder to parents. Talked about possible drop box at Publix for Box Tops & Labels for Education.

Fall Festival---Heather Balser and Michelle Ford

Meeting held before PTO meeting. Arts/Crafts Committee & Signs & Decorations chair was taken by Sarah Beaumont. (Attendees for FF meeting stayed for PTO meeting.) Silent Auction funds will be split equally amongst all teachers. Decision made after Mrs. Carr's feedback from teachers was assessed.

Barbara Tomchuk inquired/requested that we do the Gift Cards board again at the Fall Festival, as she thought that it was successful.

Holiday Shop---Laura Rusnack (no update)

Math Superstars ---Beth Montalvo enjoying a great turnout for grading. Encouraging more to volunteers for the fun as no math needed for grading as answer key is provided!

Committee Chairs Needed:

Teacher Appreciation

2012 Board Chairs to shadow

Old Business:

By Laws Revision Committee

- Need volunteers – many parents stated that they would like to be involved . Meeting to be scheduled a.s.a.p.
- Krista Rush expressed that she may be able to serve on Bylaws Revision Committee, and she made a suggestion to add a way to channel grievances.

2011/2012 Budget Committee

- Need volunteers - many parents stated that they would like to be involved. Meeting to be scheduled a.s.a.p.

New Years Gala

Still a go – with Cathy Burger assisting with this event.

New Business:

Treasurer

- Need new Treasurer due to Mrs. Harrison having to step down. Candie Holland was interested wanted more information. She is manager at local TD Bank. She has accepted the position.

Vice President/Volunteer Coordinator

- Need Vice President due to Kelly Clark resigning. Heather Murdock has accepted the position.

Requests: None

Upcoming Events:

Spell-A-Thon	October 3 rd -6 th
No School – Student Holiday	October 7 th
Parent Leadership Meeting 9:30 -11:30am ESF Bldg Viera	October 14 th
Chik-fil-a Night	October 20th 5 – 8 pm
Report Cards Issued	October 25th

Principal’s Report:

Entertainment Books August 31st - September 16th Proceeds to go towards Professional Development to Increase Brain Based Teaching/Learning Strategies and 21st Century Education – Very successful. Made over \$6,000. Mrs. Giombetti explained that this is a long term goal and would appreciate PTO assistance. The technology goals for the school was discussed and it was emphasized that small steps need to be taken to achieve these goals.

Cookie Dough TBD (around Fall Festival) Proceeds to go towards Science Training for Teachers at Suntree.

All PTO Meeting minutes are posted on the Suntree Elementary Website under PTO.

Meeting called to adjourn at 10:18am Minutes taken by Beth Montalvo