

Pebble Creek Elementary PTO Board Meeting
February 5, 2015

Board Members Present: Goly Apgar, Kelli Backstrom, Sandy Beavers, Cynthia Davis, Jill Homeyer, Ginger Howard, Lisa Hunziker, Kari Krueger, Tammy Mogford, Sarah Riggs, Kim Russell, Nikki Theis and Lynda Trenary

Guests, Teachers and/or Staff Present: Dawn Ament, Annette Roraback, MacKenzie Zumwalt

Call to Order: Kim Russell called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Ginger Howard to approve the January 2015 minutes. Jill Homeyer seconded the motion. All were in favor and none were opposed. The minutes were approved.

Special Guest: Dawn Ament, Oakwood PTO

Dawn informed the attendees about opportunities at Oakwood for parents that will have children moving up to Oakwood next year. She gave an overview of the differences between elementary and intermediate and was very complimentary of the Oakwood staff. She also encouraged everyone to “like” the Oakwood page on Facebook. She encouraged everyone to reach out to her with questions. She also mentioned that there are several positions available next year with the Oakwood PTO. Committees are chaired by 2 people and have committee members that serve as well. Game day parking has become their largest fundraiser. For further information, contact Dawn at 979-200-1995 or via email at dawnament@yahoo.com.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Ginger Howard

- Several sponsor checks have been received and will be noted on next month's report.
- If you need a reimbursement, try to let Ginger know in advance so she can coordinate getting a second check signature.
- If you have a deposit, please submit the deposit with the needed form, count information and signature.
- Budget:
 - Beginning Balance: \$63,745.07
 - Ending Balance: \$22,563.31
 - Deposits: \$202.20
 - Disbursements: \$41,383.96

Committee Reports and Updates:

Book Fair: Michele Colburn presented by Kim Russell

- Michele is seeking someone help anchor the spring book fair with her. If anyone is interested in helping, please let Michele know.

Carnival: Tammy Mogford

- Volunteers – Lisa Hunziker reported that they are seeking volunteers from Texas A&M and community volunteers. If you have groups that they can tap into, please let Lisa know.
- Sarah Riggs requested that committee and student t-shirts be ordered separately.
- Tammy gave an update regarding the current status of carnival.

Communications: Tammy Mogford

- Newsletter deadline is February 13.
- Newsletter will go out electronically February 23 and next will be in April so be aware of the date if anything needs to be submitted that will occur between the two newsletters.

Panthers Helping Panthers Outreach: Jill Homeyer

- Angel Tree went well. Thanks to all who participated.

Promotions: Stephanie Stapp, Jacqueline Knoop

- Next spirit night: Willie's on February 11 and there will be one at Outback in March.

Teacher Grants, Spring: Kim Russell

- Deadline for teacher grant requests was February 2. Volunteers are needed to review the applications. If you are interested, let Kim know.

Yearbook: Sandy Beavers, Lynda Trenary

- Pictures are still needed!!!
- Deadline to receive pictures is immediately following Carnival.

PTO Board Positions – 2015-2016: Kim Russell

- Flyer will be sent home to parents after Carnival but before Spring Break.

Scholarship Committee – Volunteers Needed (2): Kim Russell

- 1-2 Board Members are needed (most likely in April) to review applications and select recipients.

- Form is a standardized CSISD form so children can apply to multiple schools using the same information. Anonymous form.
- Two given out, one from the school and one from PTO.

Staff Relations: Kim Russell

- Snacks are still needed for faculty meetings. Salty and sweet snacks are needed and requested.
- Next meeting is February 17.

Principal's Report: Annette Roraback

- Carnival is in full swing.
- CSISD Board is going to proceed with looking at a bond election for November 2015. Planning for growth committee is being recruited and will begin in the spring. Bond will include money for a new intermediate and a new elementary school. Student enrollment continues to be on the rise.
- Dr. Ealy tried to meet with all Texas legislators and/or their staff on behalf of public education. Potential legislation regarding school funding, start date and voucher programs/charter schools.
- Test season is coming up. Modified assessment was eliminated but the state has provided online accommodated test as needed.

Upcoming Dates:

- 50 Men Who Can Cook – Friday, February 6
- Panthers Around the World Carnival – March 7 from 11-4. (Set up March 6 after school.)
- Next PTO Meeting – March 5 – PICTURE DAY

Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 12:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kari Krueger, Secretary