**Simpson Elementary School**

**PTA Board Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, September 8, 2023**

**Members Present:**

Mary Catherine Jennings, Misty Ratchford, Emma Keith, Julie Miller, Heather Reich, Stacie Olsen, Megan Bunce, Maxine McClure

**Call to Order:**

Mary Catherine Jennings, PTA Co-President, called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

**The budget is approved.**

**Treasurers Report: (Phil absent, report given by Mary Catherine Jennings)**

* The report was passed around for review.

**Academics/Arts: Megan Bunce:**

- The Little Shop of Stories Author visit for grades 3-5 will be September 21st.

- Ms. Callas is all set with art parents. They will begin changing out art displays.

- Simpson singers first performance is at the Peachtree Corners Festival. They will sing the National Anthem.

- Reflections submissions due Oct 2nd.

- Square One Art Fundraisers will receive catalogs on November 2nd. Deadline to order is November 29th.

**Communications/Publications: (Beth was absent, report given by Mary Catherine Jennings)**

-Yearbooks go on sale September 8.

**Family/Community Outreach: Stacie Olson:**

- The first All Pro Dads is September 12th.

- Grandparents/Special Friends Breakfast- October 18th and 19th.

- Fall Festival in on Friday, October 27th.

- Mother/Son Game Night is Thursday, November 16th at Paul Duke HS.

- Daddy/Daughter Dance is Saturday, Feb 3rd at Paul Duke HS.

**Finance: Heather Reich:**

- Childhood Cancer Awareness Fundraiser- September 28th is Pajama Day. Students may wear pajamas for $1 and an additional $1 for stuffed animal.

- Spirit Wear should be in next week.

- Charleston Wrap- Sales Ends 9/11.

- Business Directory for PTA members is new this year.

- Picnic in the Park is September 21st from 5-7pm.

**Health/Environment: Emma Keith:**

- Bike Safety class went great. Next year, we need to have more volunteers and a planned pre-check for all bikes.

- Walk to School Day is October 3rd. The Mayor, CFA cow, and a fire truck will be on campus.

**Staff/Student Services: Julie Miller:**

* Class Coordinators had their meetings last month.
* Winter Parties will be grade level.
* 5th Grade Immigration Day is October 4th in the Media center. A volunteer sign up was sent out.
* 5th Grade T-shirt design contest ends September 12th. Dr. Connery will determine the winner.
* Special Education Staff Breakfasts will be every other month. The first one was September 8th. It was successful.
* Staff Appreciation role would like to have some shadow volunteers for the year. The events scheduled for Staff Appreciation are:
  + October 20th- Dessert Bar
  + November 17th- Grateful Potluck
  + February 14th- Gift Card Day
  + March 14th- St. Patrick’s- Transportation Day
  + May 10th- Final Luncheon and Teacher Gift

**PTA Business:**

* The board approved Maxine McClure as co-president by voice vote.
* Teachers are loving the water cooler donated by the PTA. They are consuming both containers provided each month.
* The copy paper donated last year will also be used this year for flyers.

**Next Meeting Friday, October 13th**

**ADJOURNMENT** Mary Catherine Jennings adjourned the meeting at 10:37 a.m.