



# Schwenksville Elementary School Home and School Association Meeting

## Minutes

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1. Review and approve minutes from September 2017 meeting  
-Meeting minutes were approved by Alison Minkon and seconded by Stephanie Glover.
2. President's Report: Alison Minkon  
-Alison's report consisted of the Coordinating Council update and an update from Dr. Powers who was unable to attend.
3. Coordinating Council Meeting Update  
-The first meeting was held September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Representatives from the Daily Bread Community Food Pantry came to discuss their Halloween costume drive, blanket drive, basket raffle in March 2018, volunteer opportunities and fundraising for their new facility. There is a referendum to be voted on on November 7<sup>th</sup> regarding turf fields at the high school. The district will consider staggering HAC access by elementary, middle and high school so the site isn't overwhelmed. The district policy committee is reviewing policies 702 and 915. Currently, any donation over \$1,000 requires board approval. They are looking into this process in an effort to promote equality throughout the district. There is a policy meeting October 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss.
4. Treasurer's Report: Stephanie Glover  
- Stephanie's report included fundraising totals for Kidstuff and Walk-a-Thon.
5. Teacher Representative(s):  
-There was no teacher representative present.
6. Recent/Upcoming Events and Topics:
  - a. Kid's Stuff Coupon Books: Stephanie Glover  
- We made \$1,575 on KidStuff books this year, which is down from \$2,750 last year. Most of the books have come back.
  - b. Usborne Cards for a Cause: Lisa Gallagher  
-We will run this fundraiser in November.
  - c. School Directory: Keith Gilchrist
  - d. Walk-A-Thon: Viviann Schorle - October 13<sup>th</sup>  
- We raised \$6,614 for Walk-a-Thon, which was down from last year and less than our goal of \$8,000. We are going to use an online donation platform next year.
  - e. Mr. Ash's Retirement - October 30<sup>th</sup>  
-Mr. Ash's last day is October 27<sup>th</sup>. Alison received some gift suggestions from his wife. They recently purchased a new camper. We are considering binoculars and a travel mug.
  - f. Joe Corbi: Keith Gilchrist - Pick-up scheduled for November 15<sup>th</sup>
  - g. Trunk or Treat: Stephanie Glover - October 20<sup>th</sup>  
- We have 25 trunkers signed up for Trunk or Treat and we still have room. 146 kids have registered. Last year, we had almost 250 kids. We are still accepting candy donations.

- h. Winter Wonderland Dance: Sarah Nickels- December 8<sup>th</sup>
- i. Bingo: Jessica Edelstein - January 26<sup>th</sup>
- j. Variety Show: Nicole Vozzolo - April 6<sup>th</sup>
- k. Fifth Grade Celebration: Volunteer needed
- l. Yankee Candle Fundraiser: Volunteer needed

7. Ongoing Activities:

- a. Box Tops & Recycling Program: Amy Michetti
- b. Amazon/Giant Awards Programs: Keith Gilchrist
- c. Garden Club: Becky Tait
  - The outdoor classroom has been approved. They are in the process of securing permits. They are looking to hold a Fightin Phils ticket voucher book fundraiser in February/March. Penny Wars will be starting October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- d. Yearbook: Lisa Gallagher & Denby Guellich
  - They are encouraging parents to use the ReplayIt App. They are in need of 5<sup>th</sup> grade volunteers. They are looking into alternative companies for next year.

8. Principal's Report: Barbara Powers

-Dr. Powers was unable to attend. We received final board approval for the outdoor classroom. We will be participating in PV Cares for the holidays, rather than the giving tree. The Harlem Wizards are coming in November. Conferences will be held November 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Mrs. Hang applied for and won a grant for a free little library. On November 1<sup>st</sup>, Dr. Powers is meeting with Montgomery County Health Department and planning a program for walker safety. We are almost fully staffed with Title 1 teachers.