



Schwenksville Elementary School Home and School Association Meeting

Minutes

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1. Review and approve minutes from May 2017 meeting
-Meeting minutes were approved by Stephanie Glover and seconded by Keith Gilchrist.
2. President's Report: Alison Minkon
-Welcome to our new families!
3. Treasurer's Report: Stephanie Glover
 - a. Review budget for 2017 - 2018 school year
-So far we have sold 101 Kidstuff books, which is down from last year but more than prior years. Last year we made \$2,700. So far this year, we have made \$1,250. We are still waiting for 100 books to come back. Reminders are going home today. We may consider doing a local business loyalty card next year as an alternative.
4. Teacher Representative(s):
-Mrs. James gave the Home & School thank you notes from her students. She explained fundraising to them and what the Home & School does.
5. Recent/Upcoming Events and Topics:
 - a. Welcome Back Picnic: Tara Sell - Thursday, September 28th
-Order forms went home for pizza and hoagies.
 - b. Kids Stuff Coupon Books: Stephanie Glover
 - c. School Directory: Keith Gilchrist
-Order forms are due October 6th.
 - d. Walk-A-Thon: Viviann Schorle - Friday, October 13th (Rain date: Monday, October 16th)
-Clearances are needed to volunteer but are not needed to watch from the sideline.
 - e. Joe Corbi: Keith Gilchrist - Pickup November 15th
-The sale runs October 2nd through October 19th.
 - f. Garden Club: Becky Tait
-We are waiting for final School Board approval before we can start digging and pouring cement. We will be purchasing four tables and will be fundraising for five additional tables this year. We are still trying to figure out how we will handle shading.
 - g. Trunk or Treat: Stephanie Glover - October 20th
-Forms are going home at the beginning of October. We plan to have trunkers order pizza so they can eat while they decorate. Our rain date is October 27th. All four elementary schools are doing Trunk or Treat this year.
 - h. Winter Dance: Sarah Nickels - December 8th
-The DJ is booked. The Garden Club plans to sell carnations again this year.
 - i. Fifth Grade T-shirts: Alison Minkon

-We are going with the district wide shirt this year.

j. Variety Show

-Leader positions are all filled. We were under budget last year, so this year we are requesting additional money for 5th grade.

k. Yankee

-We need a coordinator.

6. Ongoing Activities:

a. Box Tops: Amy Michetti

-Box Tops are due October 25th. Campbell's is no longer printing labels for education on their cans but if you have them, you can submit through the end of the year, as the program is officially ending in January 2018.

b. Recycling Program

-Pepsi has a program that provides points and awards for estimating how much you recycle. This is on Dr. Powers's agenda to discuss with the teachers to get the students involved.

c. Amazon and Giant Awards Program: Keith Gilchrist

-As of our last e-mail from Amazon, we had earned \$280. We do not need to re-register for Giant Rewards if already registered.

d. Red Robin Burgers for Better Schools: Stephanie Glover

-They will be revamping the program and doing Spirit Nights or gift card sales.

e. Yearbook: Denby Guellich and Lisa Gallagher

-They started a committee of two parents per grade. They still need fifth grade parents.

7. Principal's Report: Barbara Powers

-Mr. Ash retiring October 30th. Intervention extension groups are starting next week. We are short aides. Part-time certified teachers are needed; 3 hour and 5 hour positions for daily work for 32 weeks. Parent Involvement Night is part of the requirement for Title 1 and Title 3 funds. Dr. Russell wants all field trips to be consistent across district buildings. 4th grade has the largest inconsistency. Montgomery County Health Department will be speaking to students at lunch on October 4th regarding safe walking. The School Board will be looking more closely at donations made and inequities between the schools.