# Forest Park PTA Meeting December 5, 2016

Anne Tedford called the meeting to order at 8:00a.m. and welcomed everyone to the fourth PTA meeting of the year.

## **Agenda Item**

#### **Contact for Information**

#### **Minutes**

## **Mary Margaret Wippo**

Page Gibson moved to approve last meeting's minutes. Angie Johnson seconded motion. Minutes were approved.

#### **Budget**

#### **Katherine Butler**

Katherine reminded everyone to sign up on AmazonSmile. Anne informed us that we it's not the regular Amazon.com website; it is smile.amazon.com.

## **Committee Recognition**

#### **Anne Tedford**

Toga Tuite thanked Stacy Grobmyer for all of her hard work on the FunRun, and she thanked Elizabeth Grotte for dealing with the numbers portion everyday while it was going on. Toga informed everyone that the money earned at the FunRun goes towards many things at our school. Some examples: it pays completely for our Spanish program, maintenance and repairs on our grounds and facilities, Accelerated Reading program, Reflex Math, Music, Art and Outreach to students who might be in need.

Anne thanked the ladies who helped with Staff Appreciation by getting pumpkin bread to everyone on staff at Forest Park.

Page Gibson talked about the recycling grant that the school was awarded. We have \$1300 to put towards outdoor recycle bins. Neal Lea mentioned that someone should see if they would be willing to donate a bin to us, or give us a discount on them.

Book Fair Mrs. Graves

Students will be going to Barnes and Nobles this Wednesday and Thursday for a bookfair. There will be a family night at Barnes and Noble this Wednesday night from 6 to 8pm.

## Office Help/Watch D.O.G.

## **Anne Tedford**

Anne said that we can now go to Signup.com to volunteer to help in the school office for Keely Goodson's lunch hour. We need helpers to relieve Keely for an hour every day, so that she can have a lunch break. Helpers needed from 11-12.

We also need dads and grandads to sign up for the Watch D.O.G. program.

Little Rockers Anne Tedford

This is a group of students who will run after school on Mondays and Wednesdays. There are limited numbers of students who can join, so if you are interested, don't wait to sign up. The kids will run the last mile of the Little Rock Marathon.

Poinsettias Neal Lea

The plants will be here tomorrow. People can pick theirs up after school tomorrow or Wednesday morning. There are some plants available for cash and carry. Space Camp fundraising has almost hit its goal of \$15,000. Camp will cost each student about \$180. It will not cost more than \$200 per child.

## **Staff Holiday Luncheon**

Julia Crow/Morgan Smith

Luncheon will be held next Tuesday at Jessica Philips's house. We will have drivers to take staff to and from luncheon. We still need some people to sign up to bring cookies or brownies for dessert.

## **Outreach for Holidays**

#### Samantha Cross

We have 10 Forest Park families that need assistance this Christmas. They have filled out sheets anonymously and people can take a sheet and buy gifts for these families. Gifts are to be returned to school, unwrapped, but with wrapping supplies included, by Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

## Technology Position for next year

## **Angie Johnson**

We will need someone to fill E.W.'s shoes next year. Someone tech-savvy who can provide links for purchasing on our website, and also put out the newsletter each week. If anyone has an idea, please let Angie Johnson or Anne Tedford know.

PTA voted to approve amended Bylaws.

PTA voted to approve Teacher Grant for the amount of \$5000.00.

## **Reminders/Announcements**

• Don't forget to donated to Pass the Plaid!

# **Dates to Remember:**

Student Council Coat drive until Dec. 13th

Dec. 5-16 LRSD Enrollment

Tues, December 13<sup>th</sup> Staff Holiday Luncheon

Tues, December 13<sup>th</sup> Class Pictures

Fri, December 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> Monday, Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> Classroom Holiday Parties NO SCHOOL NO SCHOOL PTA Meeting