

Meeting Minutes

Minutes of Central Elementary School PTA General Meeting

October 19, 2015

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm. Welcome by President Jennifer Campbell.

Approval of past minutes, motion by Rachel Bernardez, second by Keri Parks.

Officer Reports

Principal Jeannie Sienkowski

- Newsletter goes out tomorrow: will include PTA dates, Harvest Fest Promo
- Thanks for support of Color Run!

Treasurer Rachel Bernardez

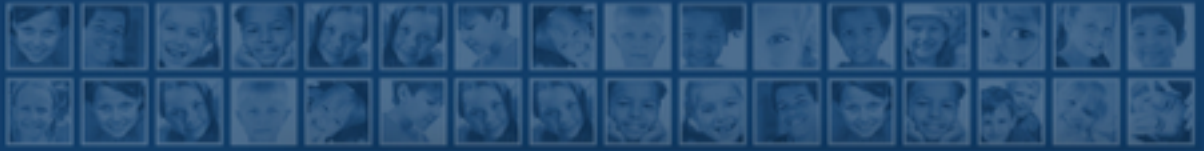
- Budget same as last meeting
- Motion to approve budget by Lisa Sut, second by Carrie Durnell all in attendance approved
- Check register year to date - held off paying, money from Color Run still trickling in...\$7,500 so far.
- Promote fundraisers to help bring in money!
- Will be filing budget

Vice President Keri Parks

- Directory – getting underway. Received names from Mrs. Scheub. Handbook online, but will include staff names, emails, web class links, and other general info
- All paper is purchased (rebate) (extra paper if anyone needs it).
- Text Keri if you have any ideas to be included in directory. Any ideas to her by October 31st.

Secretary Carrie Durnell

- Filed updated Officer's List with the state
- Approved minutes

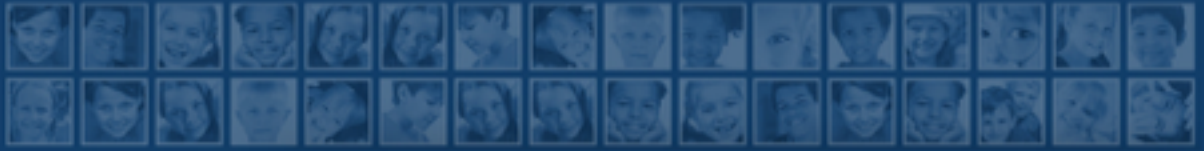


Parent Representative Liz Welter - Spirit Wear

- Utilized 99 Designs Website to bid for logos - hundreds of designs
- Top three designs chosen – kids will vote on winning design this week
- Possible logo overhaul for school
- Liz to then price out t-shirts for new logo

President Jennifer Campbell

- Two more memberships this week – Now have five times the members as previous years. Seeing more interest from Parents, and teachers inquiring about how to request money. Jennifer asked them to talk to Teacher Representative Mindy Heuring.
- Five Guys Restaurant Night brought in \$30. - We feel there is an error on their part and we actually raised more funds. May want to reconsider this location in the future.
- Buffalo Wild Wings Restaurant Night raised \$170. More than previous years.
- Upcoming fundraisers: Panera (this week), Chipotle (November), Barnes and Nobel and Noodles (December), Mc Teachers night at McDonalds (January).
- Flyers for restaurant nights - is a day or two prior early enough? Social media, yes. Personal Facebook), teachers not putting them in early enough, create Facebook public event
- update PTA website with All PTA meeting dates
- Color Run!
 - Money still coming in. Raised approximately \$38,000. Profit approximately \$20,000 total to be split with TJ. Central to profit at least \$10,000.
 - 142 Volunteers!!
 - Check Color Run Website - lots of good photos
 - Committee to have final meeting. One issue will be do we do it again next year? Community asking for it. Recommendation would be to move it to a county venue due to restrictions from the city of Valparaiso
 - Extra t-shirts available. Adult med and large \$10



Committee Reports

Harvest Fest - Meghan

- Planning going well. Kids are excited!
- Still needs cups, plates
- Volunteer schedule established. Needs people for set-up. Teachers want to help - use as greeters and game helpers
- Printing itinerary - needs help coping
- Some items planned:
 - Scavenger hunt, Guess number of candy corns, cake walk, hoola hoop contest, photo booth, bingo, musical chairs, ping pong and ring toss, bowling, fortune teller
- Logistics:
 - Kid Stop – need to let them know we need the gym. Jeannie to find out when we can have access to gym.
 - We can start setting up at 4:00
 - Email Meghan if available to help setup
- Cake walk - thinking to move it to a class room?

Teacher Requests

- Mrs. Grantsaris: Requesting \$200 for drama club for backdrop and costumes for assembly
- Motion to award drama club \$200 by Lisa Sut, second by Liz Welter all in attendance approved
- Mr. Wallace: Requesting increase in Spell Bowl funds – 13 kids signed up this year (Four more than last year). Increase from \$205 to \$270
- Motion to award Spell Bowl \$270 by Lisa Sut second by Kala Stone

Unfinished Business

- Popcorn dates: January 22, April 1st, June 3rd
- Danielle helping out as well
- Deadline for PTA membership by October 31st to submit to the state



- Box tops
 - Bagging them easier according to Lisa - bags of 50 would be helpful, write what class to keep track for competition
 - Send a reminder home with kids include photo of Box Top logo and soup label. Include instructions to keep 50 to a bag, encourage kids with competition. Collect twice per year.

New Business

- How to spend Color Run dollars
 - Proposed single piece of equipment as the school will get a new playground when the schools get overhaul
 - Something that could stay after renovation, i.e. climbing wall
 - Revisit and vote on next month: Bring any other ideas how best to spend money
- Rachel went to PTA training - presentation on Rise Above the mMark – advocacy. Step by step how to advocate for a cause. Rachel is willing to share what she learned.
- More aware of politicians and how we vote - it does effect education - learn how to contact our legislators.
- Legislative updates - proposed for future meetings
- State PTA weekly newsletter - informative, training info, etc.

Next meeting November 16th 6:30

Motion to adjourn by Daniele Berg O'Reily, second by Rachel Bernardez, all in favor.

Prepared by

Carrie Durnell

Secretary