

PTO Meeting

October 3rd, 2024

3:15pm

In Attendance: Brittany Blalock, Jennifer Keely, Tracie Neal, Cody Spradley, TL Overton, Stella Shorts, Alesha Reeves, Kristy Pervalta, Blair Threadgill, Tabitha Cox, Aimee Burleson, Karlyn Cox, Tonya Hollis, Wilson Moore, Starla Morris, Brenda Tyson, Misty Nordan, Kathy Thorpe.

1. President Alesha Reeves opened the meeting in prayer at 3:15pm
2. Agenda Approval
 - a. Alesha Reeves shared the agenda for our meeting, there were no questions
 - b. Starla Morris made the motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Tracie Neal. Unanimous approval.
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Alesha Reeves shared the minutes from our previous meeting in August, there were no questions.
 - b. Stella Shorts made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Brenda Tyson, with unanimous approval
4. Financial Review and Current Account Balance
 - a. Treasurer Stella Shorts shared the financial review July, August, and September. There was no movement in July and August. September had the spirit wear fundraiser, in which the PTO profited \$660 from the fundraiser, selling 151 items.
 - b. Stella presented the financial report for approval. Wilson Moore made the motion to approve the financial report, seconded by Tonya Hollis, with unanimous approval.
5. TCA Updates
 - a. Jennifer Keely provided an update on security measures at TCA. A ring doorbell has been added to the front door, and the front door is now locked at all times. The concern has been that the staff in the office is unprotected with the door unlocked and not knowing who was coming in the door. Tracie Neal did ask if they had to physically go open the door each time, but they are able to open the door by a button.
 - b. Jennifer Keely also updated that the SNAP Readers Choice awards voting period has closed, and the winners should be announced towards the end of October.
6. Mission Project
 - a. Alesha Reeves presented our intent to partner with a school in Western North Carolina that is similar to TCA. Our desire is to partner with them long term, have our students closely involved and be able to change our support as their needs change. Mrs. Keely reached out to ACSI to be put in contact with a school, but that did not work out. Ben Perry has a connection with a school, and Tracie Neal also offered a connection with Ashe County Schools.
 - b. More information will be provided when more details are ironed out.
7. Teacher Appreciation
 - a. Alesha Reeves shared that October Teacher Appreciation had been taken care of

- b. Brittany Blalock shared that we needed volunteers to help pull off Novembers Teacher Appreciation, which will be on Tuesday, November 26th as a Duty Free, catered lunch for our staff. We need at least 9 volunteers to make this happen. A signup sheet was provided at the meeting.
8. Box Tops
 - a. Alesha Reeves updated that we were 91% to our year goal of \$500. This money will go towards teacher appreciation in January.
 - b. We will set a second goal when we reach this goal.
9. Memorial Baptist Trunk or Treat
 - a. PTO plans to sell pizza and water at Trunk or Treat on October 30th -will be accepting cash or Venmo.
 - b. Pizza-\$2 a slice
 - c. Water-\$1 each
 - d. Volunteers are needed in 1 hour time frames-sign up sheet is provided as well
10. New Business
 - a. Alesha Reeves opened the floor for new business
 - b. Tracie Neal asked the teachers/staff if they needed anything, no needs were voiced.
 - c. Karlyn Cox reminded that the boston butt fundraiser is October 5th, between 12p-2p with pick up at TCA. We have sold 73 butts, with 7 extra to sell. Ms. Cox also brought attention that we make much more we do a plate sale instead of the whole boston butt, putting it on our radar for PTO to partner with the fundraising committee next year to maybe pull this off.
11. Next Meeting-December 2nd, 2024
12. Adjournment
 - a. Wilson Moore made the motion to adjourn the meeting, with Stella Shorts seconding the motion. Motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brittany Blalock, Secretary