



Meeting Minutes

Riverbank Charter School of Excellence PTO

Meeting Date: 10/12/2017

Meeting Location: Riverbank Charter School



1. Call to Order by: Lisa MacArthur Time: 6:35pm

Board Member Attendance: Lisa MacArthur, Nicole Marbach, Susan McCool, Theresa Farmer, Justine and Thomas Floyd

Parent and Faculty Attendance: 12 parents 2 teachers 1 principal

2. Minutes: FIRST MEETING of the 2017-18 school year

3. Officers' Reports

a. Family Events Report – Thomas Floyd

- i. Johnson's Farm – 10/15 meet up event
 - *wristbands sent home on 10/12
 - *\$11 pp includes hayride, animal farm, play area, corn maze
- ii. Trunk or Treat – 10/21 6-7:30pm (see fundraising)
 - *Volunteers needed for:
 - set-up and decorating Saturday afternoon
 - 30 minute shifts at bake sale table and craft table during the event
- iii. STEM night – 11/16 in-school event
 - *3 activities in classrooms
 - *kids will rotate through the activities
 - *looking for parent volunteers to help in the classrooms

b. Social Action Report – Justine Floyd

- i. Adopt a classroom – Sept/Oct
 - *sending school supplies to 2 schools that have been displaced due to Hurricane Harvey
 - *deadline to submit supplies 10/19
- ii. Fall Food drive – Oct/Nov
 - *kick off at Trunk or Treat; ends 11/17
 - *donations will go to 3 local food banks
 - *Ms. Kelley and the teachers are on-board with dressing up in the Thanksgiving food costumes as incentive for donations if the KIDS ask for it
- iii. Coat, mitten, hat drive – Nov/Dec
 - *begins 11/27



c. Fundraising Report – Theresa Farmer

- i. Yard sale was a great success. We had 1 food truck on site. We had a lot of great feedback. We'd love to do it again next year and make it more of a community event.

- ii. Trunk or Treat – 10/21 6-7:30 (see Family Events)
 - *27 trunks so far
 - *plan for 350 kids
 - *we have a lot of ticket sales already

- iii. Bingo prep – committee forming
 - *bags are being purchased and baskets are already coming together.
 - *we ask for any contacts you may have for donations/sponsors (corporate match, etc.)

d. Treasurer's Report – Sue McCool

- i. Recent bills/expenses
 - *teacher gift cards for classroom supplies
 - *paved parking lot
 - *bingo bags and license
 - *movie night supplies
 - *Moby Max & Learning A to Z, resources for classrooms
 - *birthday pretzels

- ii. Account balance - \$27,441.91

- iii. PTO membership drive
 - *85-90% membership

4. Principal's Report – Beth Kelley

- Thanks to all for coming
- We received Church & Dwight grant again but do not know the exact amount yet. Will be used for Art & Field trips
- 10/13 – fire truck will be coming to school to teach about Fire Safety
- 10/18 – Coffee talk; a chance to express ideas and concerns
- 10/20 – Country posters are due
- 10/22-10/27 – Red ribbon week (Say NO to drugs)
- 10/31 – Halloween parade 2pm
 - Parties in classroom after parade – parents are welcome
- 11/9 – ½ day
- 11/10 – School closed
- 11/21 – Parent presentations – Native American Theme

5. Unfinished (old) Business

- a. First meeting – no old business

6. Parent comments/concerns

- a. Can we do \$1 dress down days for charity?
 - we have tried in the past but can look into doing it again.
 - we can look into some outside charity ideas (i.e. food bank) or donate to PTO if parents are in agreement
- b. How are the kids enjoying the 3rd grade alternative seating?
 - kids are really enjoying it and it is working out well
 - kids get to pick which seats they use
 - Ms. Kelley thinks that more teachers will be submitting requests to PTO for different resources for their classrooms.

7. Announcements – Next PTO meeting 11/30/17

8. Adjournment – by: Lisa MacArthur time: 6:57pm

