

RALPH ASKINS PTO
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Parent Teacher Organization
August 23, 2018

Location of Meeting:
Ralph Askins Library
901 Shady Lane
Fayetteville, TN 37334

Consideration of Open Issues:

- 1. The first item was to discuss the treasurer's report and how much money was earned during Tiger Tracks last year.**
- 2. After discussing the treasurer's report and Tiger Tracks success from last year the members of the PTO elected new officers for the positions of secretary and member-at-large.**

Secretary: Marie Delap

Member- At- Large: Chanelle Carmichael

Consideration of New Business

1. Fall Parent/ Teacher Conference Meal

The first parent/ teacher conference of the year will be on Thursday, September 29th. We discussed possible restaurants that could possibly feed all of our teachers for an average of \$5 per teacher. PTO generally expects to spend around \$300 for the teacher meals.

Suggested possibilities: Rafeal's, Dellalicious Eatery, and The Local Cafe

2. Book Fair "Enchanted Forest"

The book fair this year will be September 17- 21. The book fair will be open for the parent teacher meeting. Goal amount of the book fair is \$7,000 to have the possibility of having a Buy One, Get One Book Fair in the Spring.

3. Costume Swap/ Sell

The possibility of having a costume swap/ sell as a PTO fundraiser/ Parent Involvement Opportunity was discussed. IT was ultimately decided that it would be best to have students/ parents bring in gently used/ new tagged costumes before the sell and have members of the PTO check the items and separate the outfits according to quality/size.

Each student that brings in a costume will be given a credit amount to shop with and the PTO will receive a small percentage of each costume sold.

4. Concession Days "Fun Fridays"

There will be 3 possibly 4 concession days
Friday before Fall Break, October 5th
Friday before Spring Break, March 15th
Friday before Christmas Break, December 17th

5. Fall Blast/ Silent Auction

The decided date for Fall Blast this year is October 19th.
We will need to find volunteers for the Silent Auction and start going to businesses to get donations for the auction.

Possible businesses that could give donations: Carter's, Beautiful Me, The Tigress, Ivy Wreath, The Lincoln Theater, Proverbs Woman, The Local Cafe, Hair Salons...

There was also a discussion that teachers could be given a business that makes a donation the task of having their class write thank you letters.

We will be finalizing the games to be played at Fall Blast during the September PTO meeting.

Also, we discussed other fundraisers that could help raise money for Fall Blast such as a teacher spending the night outside of the school or Duct Taping a teacher to the wall.

6. Talent Show

The possibility of a talent show was brought up as an idea for student/ parent involvement opportunity. This would be held sometime in January or February, but the process would begin in November. Students would have to audition and then placed into categories. We would plan on trying to conclude 2 practice/ mocks of the talent show with students before the actual performance. An admission fee would be charged for adults attending and possibly the option to purchase a DVD of the show.

7. 5K/ Fun Run

This would be an event that could allow Ralph Askins to involve the entire community as a whole to participate.
The route would have to be decided- The Avenues?

8. Spring Parent/ Teacher Conference Meal

Meal will need to be decided and volunteers to help set up and serve.
Date of the meal is January 31st.

9. Tiger Tracks

Tiger Tracks will be held on May 17th.
Also, we need new ideas for donation prizes.

10. Box Tops

Jennifer Murdock will be the head over Box Top collections and ideas for bringing in more Box Tops for collection.
Total collected from last years box tops: \$1,100- \$1,300?
Goal for 2018-2019 : \$3,000

The next meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on September 13, 2018.