

Minutes of the FR Elementary PTO

General Assembly Meeting

Date: November 6, 2023 **Time:** 7:00-8:00 **Location:** FRIS Creativity Center

Meeting called to order by: Angela Paradise FRIS Co-President at 7:07 pm

Attendance: Connie Shirey, Jillian Neal, Angela Paradise, Courtney Shovel, Jessica Valko, Jarid Shipley, Amber Trout, Alexis Green, Jenny D'Andrea, Jennifer Poole, Jennifer Roney, Kate Moerdyk, Ashley Shaner, Natalie Lang, Tiffany Gallagher, Robin Ramaley, Georgette Ayres (MAPS), Kristin Scott (School Counselor)

Via Zoom: Ashley Quinton, Megan Wimer, Leigh Ann Cobb, Melissa Clista

Welcome

Welcome and introduction of the FRP and FRIS Board Members. Approval of the minutes from the 9/13/2023 meeting. Motion by Jared Shipley and seconded by Amber Trout.

Presidents' Report

Angela reminded everyone on the importance of checking that their clearances are up to date and how to renew if needed.

Vice-President Report

Connie discussed that HRC updates would be sent out in preparation of the winter party. Also, there will be a Carnegie Science Center assembly at each school, dates to be announced soon. Some possibilities of other assemblies in the spring. Details to be determined.

Secretary Report

Courtney and Ashley reminded people to check the website, and to read the eblast for up to date information. In addition, to get any info to Courtney by the Tuesday before each week to be approved for the eblast.

Treasurer Report

Jen Poole and Jillian Neal discussed the fundraising results and budget from each school respectively.

The primary budget had an adjustment. The board voted to approve the budget, and the general population also voted to approve the budget with a 2/3rds vote. Motion by Alexis Green, seconded by Natalie Lang, all in agreement to approve.

MAPS (Maximizing All Potentials Program)- Behavioral Health Liaison: Georgette Ayres and Kristen Scott discussed Coffee with the Counselors. Exploring options and ways for parents and counselors to have avenues to meet and discuss problems and concerns. Watch for community and parent lecture series. Unlocking the power to sleep. Angela Paradise spoke on behalf of Beth Frydrych.

Old Business

Updates were provided on t-shirts, the fall book fairs, Spirit sales, Custodian Appreciation, clothing sales, student directory, Walk-a-thon, Fitness-thon, True Martial Arts after school program, and the fall parties.

New Business

- a. Parent Teacher Conferences: **Nov 9** - Grab and Go Snack station for teachers.
- b. Turkey Cup Challenge: **Nov 13-17** Benefits the Westmoreland County Food Bank
- c. FRIS Visiting Author: **Nov 16** Caroline Carlson presentation and writing workshop
- d. After School Program - Burn Boot Camp **Nov 30 (Intermediate), Dec 4 (Primary)**
- e. Winter Shop: **Dec 6-11 (Intermediate), Dec 14-19 (Primary)** - Volunteer spots still available
- f. Winter Staff Appreciation: **Dec 19**
- g. Winter Party: **Dec 22** - times to be the same as the Fall party. HRC's to reach out soon. Please make sure clearances are updated.
- h. Spirit Sales: **Jan 23 & 24**

Questions

There were no questions at this time.

Announcements

- a. Next General Assembly Meeting: **Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 7pm**
FRIS Creativity Center & Via Zoom

Motion to adjourn the meeting by: Jen Rooney, seconded by Connie Shirey.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 by Angela Paradise FRIS Co-President

Minutes Compiled by: Jessica Valko, FR Intermediate Co-Secretary