# Pleasant Ridge PTA Welcome Night

Thursday, September 6, 2018

Introduction and Call to Order- Gretchen Schmanke 7:07pm

Attendance: Gretchen Schmanke, Krystal Actkinson, Jeremie Tharp, Melissa Abernathy, Kim Winsor, Jessica Juarez, Mary Gordon, Qingyum Wu, Kayleigh Glover, James and Gin Chamberlain, Sara Oberle, Laura Baker, Michelle Anderson, Julie Gerber, Julia Kheyfets, Heather Smith, Shelley Pollack, Jill Boster, Lara Holy, Marie Schuknecht, Jackie Slattery, Leona Davis, Michelle Owells, Marci Theel, Lori Locke, Patty Becker, David Sandvig

Secretary’s Report- Jeremie Tharp

Approval of Minutes. Motioned by Julie Gerber. Seconded by Marci Theel.

Committee Updates:

* Hospitality- Michelle Owells.
* Recognitions- Kim Winsor. STAR recognitions will be handled in the building or via email directly and a drawing will be held quarterly. Art teacher recognition will be happening soon.
* Classroom Coordinator- Michelle Anderson. Room moms are all set up.
* Spiritwear- Marci Theel. Hoping to have a booth at carnival to display. Planning to offer an order in both Fall and Spring.
* BoxTops/Amazon Smile- Sara Oberle. BoxTop turn in time Mid-October. App is still available. Amazon Smile has made about $50 for PR this year. [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) will send proceeds to us. Doesn’t work on the app, but if you put it in your cart, then you can purchase through the browser.
* Pinot’s Palette- Patty Becker. This year’s summer event raised around $400.
* Restaurant Nights- Jill Boster and Kayleigh Glover. They’re almost all been scheduled for the year. Goal is 1 per month with the Orange Leaf nights being additionally scheduled on the school musical nights.
* Silent Auction- Gretchen Schmanke. Gift Basket flyer will be coming home tomorrow. Please send in items to school.
* Trivia Night- Jeremie Tharp. We are desperately in need of people to help solicit items for the auction. If you can think of something to donate or are willing to solicit, please get in touch. We are also offering corporate sponsorship opportunities so stay tuned for info about that.
* Bingo Nights- Kim Winsor. First one is 10/25. Free to attend with cash prizes.
* Skating Parties. Melissa Abernathy. 10/9, 1/15, 4/23 are the dates of this year’s parties. 6-8pm at Skate City.
* Carnival- Lori Locke. 9/22 from 11-2. Wristband sales again. Food available. There is a huge need for volunteers, even teenagers or anyone who needs service hours. If you know any groups that might be willing to volunteer, please reach out to them.
* Bike Rodeo. Happening late September for only third grade.
* Cultural Arts- Gretchen Schmanke. Hoping to do two this year, just looking into options.
* Recycling- Looking into a program called Terracycle to recycle some untraditional items. Also looking into promoting regular recycling in the lunchroom.
* Directory- Michelle Anderson. Hopefully these will come out in October. Non-members can buy one in the office for $5.
* Membership- Sara Oberle. 55 members have joined PTA, 58 have paid the Patriots Pledge. Patriot’s Pledge keep us from having to do door-to-door sales (wrapping paper, chocolate bars) so pass the word along to your friends how we spend the money.
* Yearbook- Julie Gerber. Go to the Balfour Image Share and upload pictures to help out the yearbook. Room Moms will handle the 5th Grade baby picture issue.
* Legislative- Cindy Holscher. She suggests voting by paper ballot since machines are unreliable and hard to audit. Passed out application for advance voting forms.

Treasurer’s Report- Julia Kheyfets

Summarized changes and big expenses. We know the the budget as it is is in the negative, but we believe that because of our fundraising efforts last year, we can conservatively make that decision. Motion to Approve by Lori Locke. Seconded by: Shelley Pollack

Principal’s Report- Krystal Actkinson

* Leader in Me trainings have begun at the building level and trainers will arrive in January and February.
* Current enrollment is 291. Last year was 315-320. Enrollment has decreased but number of class sections has increased. Gave bios for a few new staff members.

Drawings for Prizes.

Motion to adjourn by Lori Locke, Seconded by Michelle Owells.