

Southwest Elementary School
PTA Board of Directors Meeting
January 13, 2020
6:30 PM Media Center

I. Call to Order

- Amy Wilcox calls the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

II. Principal Report

- K-2 have finished their assessments that will serve as the baseline assessments for this year.
- 3-5 will be starting assessments this week.
- PBIS store will be next week.
- We have a new administrative intern here till May, Ashely Hewlett.
- Literacy Night for K-3 will be Feb 4th. There will be food trucks starting at 5 and information sessions going from 6pm-7:30pm. Here parents will learn more about iStation and get hands on experience to know more about the testing system.
- HP Grant/SAMET update: We are waiting on approval from the City of High Point for the new school sign.
- We are still waiting for an exact timeline for the new mobile units. They have marked wires and plumbing. We are also still waiting for the new TV's and Apple TVs from GCS.
- PBIS dance will be in March to go along with March Madness.

III. Teacher Report

- Ms. Tobin reported that there were no concerns to report. She will be sending an e-mail to remind teachers to apply for the mini-grant.

IV. Leadership Report

- Principal Thigpen reported that this past week the leadership team reviewed SIP and indicators. Social/emotional group learn did a lot of work to come up with new strategies school wide. They will be doing testing this month. The team will reflect on the results of testing this month so next month we can implement school wide. The new strategies include: taking a topic related to social/emotional development and spending 3-5 mins on it in the morning, and having a system in the classroom so if there is a student with a need, they can communicate in an easy way in the classroom.

V. Treasurer Report

- Kelly was not present, but a budget update was given.
- There was discussion about reallocating some funds that are not currently going to be used. For example, Technology special has stated that they will not be using their money. It was discussed that we could use that money to get Apple Adapters so teachers can use their apple products to project. It was also suggested we could get a few to start with and teachers could check them out.

VI. Committee Report

a. Book Fair

- We have our dates set for the book fair. The set-up date is 1/28. The Teacher/student preview is 1/31. The physical sale runs from 2/3-2/7. The decoration kit has been ordered and flyers have arrived. We are reaching out to local homeschool groups and daycare centers to help advertise our sale. We sale hours will be the same as last year. We will also do Goodies for Grownups Monday, Family Nights Tuesday and Wednesday, Grandparents day Thursday. We also are encouraging kids to dress up as their favorite book character for family night. Since the Middle School will have their own book fair this year, we cut back from a K-8 to a K-6 book fair to expand the selection for elementary grades. We will still have a table featuring books from the Battle of the Books. We are also working on a system to better display the classroom Wishlist and get that information out to the parents. The online book sale will run from 1/23-2/5. The dates are not what we wanted, but are set for us, and we cannot change them. We are working to secure food for the teacher preview day and the Goodies for Grownup events through donations.

b. Restaurant Spirit Night

- Last month, December, we had a huge Chick-fil-a day with a profit of \$292.38. This month we have Zaxby's Night on Tuesday, January 21st from 5:00-8:00. Zaxby's has also offered to deliver lunch to any teacher who is interested that day with a percentage going towards our profits as well. They are advertising our school night on their website and will put on signs on the restaurant door for us as well. We can decorate or set up a table, anything we want to do starting at 4:30 that day! Also, Cookie Gram sales are coming up! We will sell Feb. 3-7 with online sales going until the 10th.
- We discussed having a contest at Zaxby's. The winning class would get a popsicle party, but we decided it would be too difficult to count people with a drive through at the restaurant. Therefore, we would need no volunteers to man a table this night.

c. Talent Show

- We have a meeting planned this week to get things moving. Interest forms will go out very soon to 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades. The dates are as follows:
- Mandatory Parent Meeting Feb 4 6PM
- Mandatory Dress Rehearsal Mar 10 530 to 730 (by appointment)
- Talent Show Night Mar 19 6PM
- We had someone suggest that we invite SWE clubs to set up in the foyer to display what they are working on. We would need someone to head this up-contacting teachers/advisers, making arrangements for their space, etc. Principal Thigpen said she would champion this effort with the help of the new Admin Intern.

d. Yearbook

1. **Carla reported that we have** sold 168 yearbooks so far. We order 426. 47 members are on the app for private share. People are liking the app so far. Albums are already made on the app for people to add pictures. She

will be here during Book Fair, awards day, etc. to help sell books. Email swepicyb@gmail.com with any questions.

VII. Old Business

- Jodi makes a motion to approve the minutes from December’s Board Meeting. Melissa seconds the motion. Amy calls for a vote. The motion passes.

VIII. New Business

- Amy discussed Cowboy Roundup. We need volunteers to head up the committee and for running the events the night of event. If we do not have someone to step up by the end of this month, we will have to cancel the event. It was suggested that we could reach out to Piedmont Chapel and Covenant about helping to spearhead the event. It was also said that teachers will be willing to help run events.

IX. Adjourn Meeting

- Amy Wilcox adjourns the meeting at 7:47PM

Presided over by:

Amy Wilcox, President

Megan Bocci, Secretary

Approved on: _____ February 10, 2020 _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Megan Bocci _____