Charter PTO General Meeting

August 28, 2014

I. Meeting was called to order at 5:45pm by Jane Long. 45 People were in attendance.

II. Minutes were approved for the May 8, 2014 meeting by Rebecca Higgins and Julie Shackelford.

III. Officer Reports

- Each officer introduced themselves and gave a brief report on their positions.

IV. Committee Reports

- Walk a Thon- Lisa Daily and Angie McKinney are co chairs. Event to be held October 10. Tuesday September 2 will be the kick off pep rally. Scott Runnels designed the logo.
- Meet the Teacher- Linda Bobo chaired the event. $171 was spent. Next year popcorn needs to be popped earlier but overall it was successful.
- Tears and Cheers- Michele Peck chaired the event. $329.51 was spent. The event was successful with the exception of a lot of leftover food which was placed in the teacher workroom. Ordering recommendations will be placed in the binder for next year.
- Directory- Shelley Cook is the chair. Volunteers are still needed to type in information.
- Family Event- Julie Shackelford is the chair. This event will be a movie night at Festival Plaza down town. Date is to be determined with possibilities in late November or in the spring.
- Homecoming Parade- Meghan Stine is the chair. Three 40 foot trailers are needed for the parade. Hay must be in each trailer to provide students with a seat. If not seatbelts are required for each child. Boles Feed donated hay last year and will be asked to make a donation again this year. Volunteers are needed to check students in and out from the event.
- Fall Festival- Lori Harkness and Joe Still are co chairs. A trunk or treat will be held October 31. Parents are asked to sign up to bring candy or decorate their trunks to pass out candy. Students will dress up in story book characters or historical figures.
- Teacher Appreciation- Mercedes Franks and Nikki Wallace are co chairs. Teachers will be given a questionnaire to help the committee and volunteers show our appreciation for them. They are still coming up with ideas to show our appreciation to the teachers this year.
• Yearbook- Andi Howle is the chair. It was requested to have at least one parent per grade level to help. More pictures are needed of students throughout the whole school.
• Bylaws Revision- Linda Bobo is the chair. The purpose is to better align the PTO bylaws with SFA and Charter. PTO members are asked to look at the bylaws and privately send Linda any comments. Bylaws revision will be voted on at the next meeting.
• Mother/Son- Michelle Cox is the chair. Event will probably be in the spring. Volunteers are still needed. The event theme and activities has not been determined yet.
• Father/Daughter- Aimee Stone is the chair. SFA’s ballroom has already been reserved for February 7. Amy Durham will share whatever information she had from last year with this year’s committee.
• Membership Committee- Beth Ainsworth and Kendra Stockman are co chairs. If interested in volunteering please speak with Jane Long.
• Book Fair Committee- PTO will run the book fair this year for the first time. Amy Mooneyham will arrange the dates for the event and trainings. PTO will handle the promotion of the event, scheduling volunteers, and running of the fair. PTO will keep all profits made from the fair. Event is set for May 11 - 15.
• Pay it Forward Committee- April Davis is the chair. This committee will plan an event that will give back to the community.
• Committee chairs are requested to keep track of all their work on their events for future chairs. Please keep a list of all volunteers who work on the committee. Linda Bobo and Jane Long will be the chair’s contact people.

V. Old Business
• The surplus money from 2013-2014 was spent on $100 shopping spree for each teacher at the end of last year, three ball returns for the playgrounds, free school shirts for all the students for 2014-2015, and recycling bins for the classrooms.
• Recycling Bins- Paper recycling bins will be placed in each classroom. It was discussed that SFA’s physical plant might help with the project.

VI. New Business
• Bulletin Boards- The bulletin board you see as you walk in the school from the office as well as the bulletin board by the gym have been given to the PTO to use. Look at these boards for information on upcoming events.
• Websites- Facebook will be used to notify members of events. No pictures should be posted at this site. Charterpto.info is a password protected Shutterfly account. This will be used to share pictures from events. A request to join the
group must be made to join this site. A PTO link on the Charter School website will also be used to distribute information about events.

- Approval for the 2014-2015 budget was given by Shelley Cook and Kendra Stockman.
- The next general meeting will be November 18 at 5:45pm. There will also be two spring general meetings with the dates to be announced later.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm