

Anna Maria Elementary School PTO Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2015
3:00 pm

Attendance: Lindsay Sauls, President
Will Schenerlein, Vice President
Mauri Zaccagnino, Treasurer
Nicole Teich, Co-Secretary
Jessica Baugher, Co-Secretary
Karen Riley-Love
Mr. Wooten
Ms. Goffred
Mrs. Querrard
Mrs. Miller
Mrs. Featherston

Special Guest: Robin Kinkopf from Kiwanis

Meeting was called to order by Lindsay Sauls at 3:10 pm

New Business:

Mammogram Fundraiser:

Karen Riley-Love updated us on the status of our fundraiser. We are doing well, but could always use more. Also, there will be an event on October 30th from 7-9 pm at the Island Coffee Haus to thank all those involved with the fundraiser. A large check will be presented to show how much money was raised.

Kiwanis:

Robin Kinkopf from Kiwanis made a presentation about the need for leadership and importance of involvement with community volunteers. The BUGS Program and the Eliminate Program are two of the Kiwanis programs at AME.

PTO SAC Representative:

Mrs. Featherston discussed the nomination of a PTO member to serve as a representative on the School Advisory Council. We voted unanimously to have Leah Loudermilk return as the PTO representative for the Council which meets 4 times per year.

Fall Festival:

Fall Festival will be held on Oct. 24 at the Holmes Beach Field. Mrs. Querrard raised questions about parking and we clarified that the children will be dropped off in the car loop on Saturday morning. Kindergartners will assemble in the Art Room, 1st & 2nd graders will assemble in the Music Room and 3rd thru 5th graders will assemble in the Auditorium.

There will be a boy and girl costume award for each class. Chief Tokajer and Officer Josh will lead the parade to Holmes Beach Field. We still need to secure a band or find another music option for the Festival.

There will not be a Haunted House this year due to the Festival being offsite. It did not seem financially feasible to have it on the same night as Trail of Treats because of the associated maintenance costs (\$40/hr) and the required manpower to staff it. We will revisit the issue next year.

One of the raffle items will be for front row seats at the student plays..

PTO Dinners/Plays:

The 4th graders will perform their play on Tuesday, November 17th and the dinner will be provided by the Anna Maria Oyster Bar. There will be at least one kitchen staff member present and Sheila Zink will coordinate volunteers. She is currently in need of more volunteers to help with the dinners.

The 2nd graders will perform their Christmas Play on Tuesday, December 15th and the dinner will be provided by The Waterfront.

Gifted Program:

It was discovered that the Gifted Program was not specifically included in the budget, so it will be included this year as a variance. Ms. Buff requested a renewal of a 30 user software program to use for the 27 students in her program. The current program expires on October 31st and we agreed to provide the necessary funds. Ms. Buff will confirm the exact cost and contact Mauri Zaccagnino for payment.

Art Enrichment Program:

Nicole Teich informed us that Michelle Laade is probably not going to be able to run the afterschool Art Enrichment Program. There was not much of a response from the flyers that went home asking about interest in such a program, but we will confirm. A Spanish afterschool program is also being considered. Mrs. Featherston pointed out the benefits of a more formal, established business conducting the programs, specifically relating to liability issues.

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Adjournment: 4:00 pm