# Sycamore PTO

## Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 13, 2018

#### Call to Order – 6:30 PM

## **Position Updates**

## President / Treasurer Update – Lauren Stahl

- Bylaw amendments (Handout)
  - Added option for President and co-President
    - If a co-President is not elected, secretary or treasurer may also serve as a vice president if the board deems necessary
  - Merged Corporate Donations and Promotions positions together
  - Added position of Hospitality Coordinator
  - Clarified possibility of board and public nominations
  - Changed election month to March
    - Motion to approve, seconded; bylaw amendments approved
- School supply kits
  - PTO is resuming responsibility for school supply kits; currently "shopping around" for distributors, would prefer one for which contracts are not required
- Staff luncheon Thursday, March 15, 2018
  - Baked potato bar; baked potatoes will be provided by Cheryl Burke
  - Will be asking for parent donations for salad, toppings and desserts
- o 4th Grade Farewell
  - Currently selecting a theme
  - Searching for fourth grade parents to assist and third grade parents to shadow
  - Working with other schools to obtain discount for t-shirts
- Treasurer's report (Handout)
  - Most income from craft fair; additional income from Box Top collection and Kroger
  - Most expenses for Mrs. Bonilla to cover Art to Remember and art supplies
  - Approximately \$10,600 currently in account

## • Fundraising Update - Chandra Burry

- Sycamore Springfest
  - Sign Up Genius
    - Parent involvement has been steady; some spots still available
    - Donation collection
      - o Can collect from teachers any time; e-mail PTO account for pick up

#### Activities Update – Erika Pike

- Sycamore Talent Show
  - Thank you
    - Almost 300 people in attendance; increase from 180 last year; fantastic teacher support

- School support
  - Great school spirit; many students in attendance to support friends
- Lessons learned
  - No concessions or intermission; stricter audition guidelines; acts will be cut to 1 minute 30 seconds
- o Sycamore Springfest
  - Vendor registration (Handout)
    - Vendor spaces sold out; large variety
    - Spaces will be set up throughout the school for visibility
  - Silent auction
    - Baskets
      - Starting bid will be 30% 40% of the actual value; bidding increments will be specified on bidding sheet
    - Timing
      - Auction closes twice, once at 11 AM and once at 12 PM; closings will be color coded
  - Children's activities
    - Thumb print art
    - Thank you notes for teachers
  - Concessions
    - 11:00 AM 1:00 PM; cash only
    - \$2 each; \$5 meal deal
      - o Marco's Pizza
      - Assorted chips and candy
      - o Water
  - Marketing
    - Color handouts available for community posting; black and white handouts will be sent home with students
    - Suggestion for daily announcements one week prior to event, robocall from Ms. Harris and classroom contest to increase attendance
    - Working on obtaining yard signage; stickers for students to wear home
  - Sign Up Genius
    - Volunteers requested for various stations / tasks

#### Corporate Donations Update – Cheryl Burke

- Sycamore Springfest
  - Donations (Handout)
    - Read sample list aloud; please let Cheryl know of any local businesses that may be willing to donate
- Thank You letters
  - Searching for volunteers to write thank you letters to those who have donated; Mrs.
    Burkhart and Miss Ashby volunteered their students; additional teachers will be advised
- Pictures of PTO events, grants and supplies
  - Will be posting pictures to promote PTO activities; please submit via e-mail if available

## • Corporate Promotions Update – Kastonia Gray

Box Top contest update

- Reminder e-mail will be sent with teachers to submit Box Tops
- Goal of 5000 Box Tops set

## **New Business**

- Open Elections
  - o Co-Presidents Lauren Stahl and Erika Pike
  - o Treasurer Cheryl Burke
  - o Secretary Kastonia Gray
  - o Fundraising Chandra Burry
  - o Activities Parmy Warner
  - o Corporate Promotions and Donations in need
  - o Hospitality in need

## Motion to Adjourn – 7:36 PM

# **Upcoming Meetings**

Please join us for our upcoming PTO meetings!

- Tuesday, March 13, 2018
- Tuesday, April 10, 2018
- Tuesday, May 8, 2018