

Minutes

Carney Elementary School PTA Thursday, September 15, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

In Attendance:

Crisi Suarez
Hannah Himelstein
Kelly Lages
Lindsay Turwy
Anysia Materewicz
Stephen Price
Samantha Jenkin
Paula Campos
Kristin Schneider
Amber Knellinger
Jessica Tyler
Laura Anderson

Agenda and Previous Minutes

7:14 pm agenda approved

Old Business teams

- Worlds finest chocolate - just finished the first full week and its going well. Email will go out to remind parents who haven't paid on monday.
- Student Support Network - Carney has now officially joined. This is a Nonprofit organization to help meet childrens' needs with a stocked closet at the school.. A flyer will be sent home to parents in the next month. We will need volunteers for this. This will replace the need for school supply/backpack drives. The organization handles most of the work so it is not a huge time commitment, we will just need to document what we give out, keep track of how much money we have left and what we need.
- Budget approval - started off with just over 11k. Hoping to get around 14k this year (usually get about 9k from chocolate). We spend about a thousand dollars on prizes and incentives and such and will leave room for a bit more than that if needed..We are hoping to earn 15k this year and we want to spend it during the year rather than bank it.

New Business

- Goal is to set up committees for each PTA activity this year
- Book Fair - This will be the last full week of October so we need to get this going. Looking for a co-chair. Paula Campos and Melinda Williams volunteered. A meeting will be set up with scholastic. We need to make a decision about if we want actual money back or scholastic dollars. In the past we have given teachers a shopping day after the

bookfair where they had \$50 to shop for their classrooms and we would like to do this again.

- Restaurant nights - We would like to do these monthly (e.g. first Tuesday or Thursday of each month). Anysia will spearhead this and Lindsay will provide help. Usually we get about 20% of the sales (and restaurants usually have a minimum they will donate regardless of sales).
- Penny wars - Usually this is in mid-october but we will push it to spring this year to space things out
- Reflections program. Adrienne was going to talk about it today but was unable to attend. She will spearhead this art program put on by the national PTA. This year's theme is 'Show your voice' and submissions can be an kind of art (creative writing, singing, painting etc.) Submissions will get voted on and there are awards. The first deadline is for paperwork and is nov. 4th. The deadline for kids to submit is December or January. Adrienne will address this in more detail later.
- Gift card fundraiser - Considering doing this before the holidays as people would only be spending money they had already planned to. A percent of the gift cards goes back to us.
- Carney merch - . Demand is up. Discussed adding some items like maybe house color shirts.? Crisi will post about this on fb and PTA site. Get a quarterly check. Not a big fundraiser.
- Smencils - planning to do something to get rid of our large stock of this (Friendograms maybe?) Will also draw PTA member names and post winners on FB.
- Trunk or treat - definitely doing this year
- PTA Meetings - we will have these be consistent, every second Thursday of the month

Next meeting Thursday, October 13th at 7 pm

Motion to adjourn: 7:45 pm by Crisi Suarez

