

Carpenter Elementary PTC

September 2018 General Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, Location: September 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center

Meeting Called to Order by: Jaimie Isom, President at 7:03 p.m.

Attendance: Jaimie Isom, Allycia Natavio, Teresa Meller, Adam Weldon, Julee Lo, Cindy Grant, Danielle Armstrong, Nickole Forde, Melissa Misch, Megan Taylor, Megan Peters, Alicia Yarnall, Jackie Elter, Crystal Smith, Aimee Mollema, Damany Head, Shanell Weatherspoon, Susan Rinehart, Megan Firis, Jessie McGeogh, Nicole Brigham, Kourtney Genereaux, Jennifer Vandenberg **Total Attendance: 23**

Minutes: Approval of May 2018 Meeting Minutes 1st: Jackie Elter 2nd: Crystal Smith

Principal's Message: Adam Weldon

- Great first day of school! ONTV was here and filmed and had lots of positive comments/ observations. A second grader commented to Mr. Weldon it was the best 1st day he's had and that school felt like home.
- Positivity Project (P2) kicked off this week
- Curriculum night is tomorrow 9/12. Looking forward to meeting parents and seeing returning families.
- Welcome Picnic is 9/20 at Friendship Park. Best attended event and a great opportunity to get the Carpenter family year started.
- School bond is up for vote in November. If the bond passes, there will be significant improvements overall for the district as well as specifically for Carpenter. More information will be available about the bond at Curriculum Night. Contact Mr. Weldon with any questions regarding the bond.

Treasurers Report: Teresa Meller

- The proposed budget for 2018-2019 was reviewed by Teresa. No questions were asked.
- Motion to approve: 1st: Jennifer Vandenberg 2nd: Megan Taylor
- All in favor; budget approved

Teacher's Message: Julee Lo

- Thank you for the wonderful Welcome Back Breakfast on the first day of school. It was an excellent surprise and great way to start the year.

Committee/ Chair Updates

- Family Activities: Jenn West
 - Welcome Picnic on Thursday 9/20 at 6:00 at Friendship Park. Pizza picnic dinners must be pre-ordered; orders are due 9/17
- Box Tops: Dana Drake
 - Two submissions per year; first submission will be in November
 - Please tape/glue box tops onto submission sheets
 - 2 box tops sheets of 25 (50 total) = Box Top spirit stick
 - There is a Box Tops app that can be used to scan receipts and get box tops and bonuses
- Community Rewards:
 - Shoparoo: a free app to scan receipts for anything and earn money for Carpenter. Search for Carpenter Year Round Elementary School to link up to our account.
 - Kroger Rewards: free system to set up an account that links to Carpenter to earn money for our school anytime you shop at Kroger.

- Amazon Smile: specific Amazon site that functions exactly like Amazon but Carpenter earns a percentage of sales. Set your browser to smile.amazon.com and search for Carpenter School Parent Teacher Council.
- Staff Appreciation: Laura Kirklin and Sarah Baldarotta
 - Brought breakfast in for staff on the first day of school
 - Will continue with monthly appreciation items as well as provide food during conferences. Sign-ups will be posted as needed, closer to conferences.
- Student Directory: Andrea Choate
 - Directory forms were distributed with the PTC Welcome Packet sent home on the first Friday of school. Forms are due back to school by Friday September 28th. This will allow for timely preparation and distribution of the directory.
 - Again, running a cover contest to include artwork from our students in the directory. Contest info was also included in Welcome Packet.
 - Businesses wishing to advertise to our families are encouraged. It is inexpensive advertising that supports the cost of the printing of the directories. See the Directory Information page for more details.
- Spirit Wear: Katie Weingartz
 - New designs being worked on and will be offered in the fall. Will have online ordering available again this year.
- Spirit Sticks: Megan Taylor and Jessie McGeogh
 - Distributed to parents at Curriculum Night: each student gets a grade level stick provided by PTC. New Carpenter students receive a lanyard
 - First Spirit Stick sale will be in October
 - Will explore the option of doing a “send a stick” event where parents could send encouraging Spirit Sticks to children
- Carpenter Dash: Allycia Natavio and Katie Acker
 - Will be doing a warrior-style course again. A few new obstacles, many returning with some tweaking of the course. Students will receive t-shirts (P2 theme) on the morning of the Dash.
 - Largest fundraiser of the year; donation prizes have been adjusted this year with a prize for donations of \$25-\$50 and if any class raises >\$1000 the teacher can wear jeans for a week. Details will be sent home the week prior to the Dash. Any donations are encouraged!
 - We will pursue having frequent fundraising updates posted to staff and families throughout the fundraising time period to encourage participation.

Upcoming Events

- 9/12 Curriculum Night
- 9/20 Welcome Picnic
- 10/5 Carpenter Dash (Rain Date 10/9)
- 10/25 Trunk or Treat
- 11/12 Veteran’s Day Assembly

Open Discussion

- Bad Brad’s is interested in getting involved in support of the community. Discussion about asking them to donate for staff meals during conferences. Possibly a dine to donate event.
- Alicia Yarnall working with Ms. Hynes and Mr. Weldon about painting positive, encouraging messages on the bathroom stalls throughout the building. These messages would tie into the P2 message. PTC

supported the idea and offered to organize help if needed. Alicia will contact the board if additional help needed cleaning and/or painting.

- As discussed at several meetings last year, PTC will be supporting a Star Wishes program this year to gather donations for Carpenter families in need of help celebrating the holidays. More information will be coming as the program gets started this fall.

Next Meeting: October 9th 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center

Gift Card Winners:

Meeting Adjourned: 8:09 p.m.

Minutes Compiled by: Allycia Natavio, Vice President