

# Peterson PTA Minutes

## 9/8/16

9:36am meeting called to order

### Christine Ficks, President

- Introduced the new board-she is President; this is her first year. Sangeeta Prasad-she is the Co-Vice President; this is her first year. Jen Watson-she is the Co-Vice President; this is her second year. She couldn't be at the meeting due to work. Devin Tuch-she is the Treasurer; this is her second year. Joann Frisby-she is the Secretary; this is her first year.
- Biggest task to complete during this meeting is to approve this year's budget.
- Our fundraiser this year will be a Boosterthon Glo Run. The Pep Rally is October 25<sup>th</sup> and the actual run is November 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- We are raising money this year to remodel the LMC. Want to make the LMC more mobile and modern.
- The kids will be measured for Boosterthon t-shirts today during lunch.
- Watchdog kick-off meeting was last night, had about 30 dads. Program kicks off on September 20<sup>th</sup>.
- PTA and Spirit Wear will be at Curriculum night.
- Committee heads are still needed for Teacher Appreciation Week, Muffins with Moms, Outdoor Learning Area. This committee will help maintain the outdoor area by pulling weeds and keeping the area looking nice.
- Would like to have a Chicago Wolves Family night and need someone to head this up. Games are scheduled into April.

### Allison Landstrom, Principal

- Glad to have everyone and kids back. Curriculum night is September 14<sup>th</sup>. The evening will be the same as in the past. There will be two sessions. Session A will be from 6:30 until 7:00 and Session B will be from 7:15 until 7:45. Both sessions will have the same information.
- Sign-ups for Conference will be online again this year.
- Excited to be part of team IPEF this year, the team has 8 people running. All money raised will be going towards the LMC remodel. This year there are also 15 kids from Peterson running in the first Kids Marathon. Spirit Squads are also forming to cheer on the runners at different mile markers.
- Please spread the word that when dropping and picking up kids in the car rider line to not come down Chinaberry and please don't turn right out of the parking lot.
- Hoping to get the city of Naperville to put crosswalks. Currently the city of Naperville is forming a committee to come out and assess the situation and form a plan.
- The LMC has new cushions for the students to use. Looking into getting adjustable height tables and tables that are smartboards. Also looking into new lighting.
- Will talk to Mrs. Schimmoler about getting some pictures together for a vision board/wish list together so everyone can see what the money raised from Boosterthon can be used for. Other LMC's have spent \$60,00 to modernize. Hoping to raise \$10,000.

### **Sangeeta Prasad, Vice President**

- We are doing Boosterthon this year, all money raised going to LMC. The program has changed where the company doesn't take a percentage of the money raised. They now take a service fee per child.
- Still need more sponsors for the t-shirts. The more sponsors we have, the less the t-shirts will cost.
- If anyone knows any businesses that might want to be sponsors, let them know we have 656 students that will be wearing the t-shirts. That is a lot of free advertising. Also let them know that their sponsor is considered a donation and they can write it off. The smallest advertisement is \$250.
- Deadline for sponsors is September 16<sup>th</sup>
- Will work on a fact sheet about Boosterthon to share with parents.
- We are getting a great deal this year and the kids will all get to participate.
- Room Parent meeting tomorrow, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am at Panera. We are in need of a few more room parents.
- Jen Watson will be taking the lead on any brick sales this year. We need to have a good amount ordered to make delivery and insertion cost efficient.
- The teacher Welcome Back Breakfast is September 14<sup>th</sup>. Christine and Sangeeta are working on this. Catering breakfast from Panera. Sign-up genius will also go out for orange juice, fruit, yogurt, etc.

### **Van Ruggeri & Leslie Shepherd, Watchdogs**

- Kick-off meeting was last night, 30 dads.
- There are 2 options this year. Option 1 - Instructional volunteers are on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:40am until 10:40am with the option to extend in the lunch and recess. Option 2 – Lunch and recess only volunteers. More information can be found on the Peterson website, under the PTA tab.
- Need volunteers to greet dads in the morning to go over schedule and take picture of dad with kid(s) for the bulletin board. For the dads that come for only lunch/recess, going to ask them to take their own picture and send it in so it can be printed out for the board. Dads can bring a lunch in.

### **Emily Brosnahan, Spirit Wear**

- The 1<sup>st</sup> Spirit Day is tomorrow. Spirit Days are in most cases the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month. Spirit wear can be ordered at Spiritcorner.com. There will be a Spirit Panther handed out to the winning classroom, one for primary and one for intermediate.

### **Christine Ficks, President**

- Beth Sessa & Hannah Niziolek are coordinating dinner nights this year but couldn't be here today. The first dinner night is on September 12<sup>th</sup> at Yogurt Beach. May do another one at Yogurt Beach in January or February because they will give us back more of a percentage.
- The next dinner night is on October 26<sup>th</sup> at Chipotle from 5:00pm until 9:00pm. A flyer will be send home. Chipotle give us 50% percent of sales.

### **Joann Frisby, Ink Recycling**

- Keep turning any ink cartridges that you have.
- Stephanie Dyniewski will be doing Box Tops this year.

### **Christine Ficks, President**

- Richa Kumari is in charge Reflections again this year. All submissions are due on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **Chanda Ladaga, Directory**

- Directory Spot app is only for PTA members. Hope to have school data from Peg the 1<sup>st</sup> week of October. The app should then be updated by the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of October. Hiral Patel takes care of printed directory.

### **Neha Patodia, PDAC**

- Will be focusing on a large Cultural Evening in the Spring.
- Will have more information to share at the next PTA meeting after the PDAC meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Focusing on getting more teachers and parents involved.

### **Karrie Mascari & Jen Wang, After School Programs**

- The first session of Engineering for Kids starts on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Spots are filling up quickly.
- The first session of Chess Club starts on September 14<sup>th</sup>. There are a few spots left.

### **Colleen Keen, IPPC**

- IPPC is having a boot and coat drive again this year. Collecting fairly new items, nothing broken. Taking all sizes, only winter coats and boots.

### **Jen Tedrow**

- Asked about doing the Toiletry drive again this year with Fry. Last year it was done sometime in the fall. She is willing to coordinate.

### **Devin Tuch, Treasurer**

- Need to review and approve budget for this year. Budget is similar to last year.
- Boosterthon is the biggest line item on the budget. Hoping to raise \$18,00 for the LMC net of expenses.
- School supply kits did well again this year. Jen Watson will be doing the supply kits again next year. Next year the teachers will be asked to send home empty supply kit boxes.
- Christine Ficks made a motion to approve budget. Emily Brosnahan second the motion.
- All in favor of the budget say 'Aye' – all; All opposed say 'Nay' – no one.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45am