

General Membership Meeting

September 6, 2018 @ 7:00 PM

Chorus opens up the meeting

Cheese pizza available – donation jar

Childcare in Mrs. Laberee's Room #104 in the Kindergarten hallway

A. Call to Order & Welcome – Elizabeth Benson, PTA President @ 7:10

A. Welcome! So glad you're here

A. PTA should never feel scary or unapproachable, we want EVERYONE involved! It's more than volunteering...there are lots of events and so much fun!

B. PTA membership reduced from \$10 to just \$5, with a magnet.

A. Membership goal of 100%

A. Looking to set a tone of school community

C. Only 2 fundraisers

A. Shindig-silent auction in the fall

A. Funds our budget for the year for all the fun events

B. At the Orlando Museum of Art on October 19; New Orleans style theme

B. Pledge-drive fun run in the spring

B. Officer Reports

1. Past Initiatives – Stephanie Harley, Past PTA President

- Class T-shirts will be given to every student this year
- Installed refillable water filling stations in cafeteria
- New branding for new school name
- Learning garden headed by Drew Byrne
- All-parent Mixer next week at The Nest-more intentional about reaching out
- School earned the National PTA School of Excellence Award
 - Before this, only 2 other Orlando schools had won this award

2. Fundraising – Ashley Brown

- PTA funded all Sunshine State Books in each classroom, class T-shirts, International Night, Glow Party
- Social Shindig, 10/19 @ Orlando Museum of Art; Adult only event
 - Tickets go on sale TONIGHT – in the lobby right after the meeting.
 - We will also send home ticket order forms in backpacks and you can purchase them online.
 - Need donations, Attend-buy tickets/sponsorships (teachers attend too)
 - Bidding-all done through your phone-do not need to be present to bid (use Handbid app)

3. Membership Report – Piper Mandigo

- 357 members before tonight (55%)
 - Goal of 100%, You can join tonight!
- Raffles coming up, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26 (\$25 Amazon gift cards)

4. Budget Presentation & Vote - Elise Knaus

- The budget was displayed before the meeting to preview
- Vote on Budget; Ashley Brown motioned to approve and seconded by Stephanie Harley
- Vote on Audit; Katie McBride motioned to approve and seconded by PTA Member
- Budget is available for anyone to view, please ask a PTA Board Member

5. Academic & School Support – Jessica Barrows

- Grade reps and Room parents support the school, classrooms, teachers and staff
- Room Parent update: most have been assigned.
 - There are still lots of ways to help support your teachers, classroom and school even if you are not a room parent, check our Facebook page or website for ways to get involved
- Everyone register as an ADDitions volunteer

6. Audubon Cares - Mandy Borkman

- Clothing Drive, week of September 17
 - Please donate gently used or new clothes, sizes 2T-16. New underwear and socks welcome too
- Canned Food Drive, week of November 12
- Giving Tree, December 3-14
 - Wish lists for students in need at Christmas
- Snack Program - ongoing all school year – email will go out soon for volunteers
 - There are several students who are in need of afternoon snacks and volunteers are asked to provide a healthy snack and drink

7. Community Events – Devin & Erin

- Spirit Night recap – Thanks to all who came out, it was a huge success
- International Night, 11/8 from 5:30-7:30. All encouraged to participate.
 - If you are from another country or want to share your culture or heritage, please let us know.

C. Committee Chair Reports

1. Odyssey of the Mind – Julie Vargas

- Infor Session 9/11 @ 6pm in the Media Center
- Very successful and great, fun learning experience
- Groups are given a problem, must solve it and make a presentation with a script
- They get together 1 time a month locally, then have a competition in January
 - 3 teams made to the state level last year

Adjournment at 7:28

Next General Membership Meeting: February 28 @ 9:30am

