

**Salem Middle School
PTA Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 12, 2011**

ORDER AND ATTENDANCE:

The PTA Board met in the Media Center of Salem Middle School. All executive officers were present with the exception of Melanie LaRusso and Bonita Young. Principal Ellzey was present for the duration of the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

A copy of the previous meetings minutes were not available at the time. Approval of the June minutes will be passed in August along with the July minutes per PTA President Dee Deanhardt.

PRESIDENTS NOTES:

Welcomed everyone to the first PTA meeting of the 2011-2012 school year. The PTA has purchased Lobby Guard tags for everyone on the PTA board. You may get these at the office from Sharon Villafranca. Ms. Dupree has arranged for free authors visits beginning Aug. 17th. This will mostly be for the 7th and 8th grade classes.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

A copy of last year's final budget was handed out, along with a copy of the new budget for the 2011-2012 school year. Copies of the budget can be found on the PTA website.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMUNICATIONS:

Start Up Packets: packets are done. Went home with students on the first day of school. (info also posted on the website).

Directory: The directory is accepting artwork submissions until Aug. 19th. An updated Spirit Wear order form can be found on the Website.

Newsletter: The website has been updated to reflect the new school year. The first quarter newsletter will be posted on Sept. 9. Deadline is Sept. 2. Second quarter will be posted on Dec. 1 with a deadline of Nov. 21. Third quarter will be posted on March 2 with a deadline of February 24. Fourth quarter will post on June 1 with a deadline of May 24.

OPERATIONS:

Awards: Looking for two people to co-chair awards.

Wake Ed Liaison: No report

Legislature: No report

Wake SEPTA Liaison: No report

SERVICES:

Cultural Arts: No report

Grounds: No report

Reflections: No report

Staff Hospitality: Lunch for the Aug. 19th early release will be provided by a former staff member.

Special Events Hospitality: No report

Staff Appreciation: No report

Volunteer Coordinator: volunteer lists will be updated as new forms come in. Parents can now volunteer in the Media Center. Also looking for Academic Volunteers. Ms. Fanning (7-1) will be the teacher coordinator.

WAYS AND MEANS:

Magazine Sales: magazine fundraiser sales begin July 13th for tracks 1&2. Hopefully sales will be great and another fundraiser will not be needed. Just in case, looking for an online fundraiser.

Membership: 374 members so far (signed up at meet the teacher).

Spirit Nights: Dates and places to follow.

Spirit Wear: sales at meet the teacher were \$8,200. Looking for new items for spirit wear such as Polo's for boys and girls with Salem logo. Also looking at sunglasses, pens and pencils and beanies, water bottles, flash drives and long sleeve t's.

Book Fair: No report

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Welcome new members. Thanked the PTA for the breakfast on July 7th and for the snacks at staff development on July 6th. Lunch will be provided by a former staff member on Aug. 19. They will also be planting a tree in carpool in honor of Coach Daniels.

Proud to announce the start of the Reading Readiness Program. This is an intensive reading intervention program designed to bring all students to grade reading level. All 6th graders will be screened starting tomorrow.

School improvement plan goal for academic growth is 72.4%. As of Aug. 1st, we are at 71.2%. This is an increase of 3% over last year.

PBIS - Positive Behavior starting tomorrow. Videos will be shown to show what the school expects from the students in terms of behavior.

NEW BUSINESS:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm. The next meeting will be held on Aug. 2nd 2011.

