

Tammy called the meeting to order at 7:05

In attendance:

Tammy Pressley
Jocelyn Aquinaldo
Barbara Green
Allen Ellzey
Hilary Palonsky
S. Hillman
Kathy O'Bryan

Charlene Adler
Nicole Gangnon
Jennifer Simis
Laura Linton
Melissa Wood
Rula Khayrallah
Judy Heilsnis

Meeting minutes were approved with the addition of Hilary to the attendee list.

PTA / Committee Reports:

Communications -

Nov 5 is the deadline for the next newsletter. We are collecting input on who wants them mailed vs. emailed. The Spartan Directory art contest winner is Ashton Schlachter, grade 8, track 1. The theme is "Standing Strong, Working Together".

Operations – Sherry Silcox is helping with volunteer coordinators. Melissa Wood is doing kids voting. Jennifer Simis is now the district 8 liaison.

Book Fair is being coordinated and staffed. Oct 23 will be the Book Fair night with refreshments.

Services - Staff appreciation reported on birthday treats for teachers and the recent dessert bar. They have gone well and are well received by the staff.

Ways and Means – Magazine sales resulted in lower profits than hoped. Charlene circulated the final budget after the meeting. The committee will be looking for ways to cut about \$6000 out of the budget as well as increase efforts to raise additional money. We made \$125.00 at Ralph's Italian Ice. The next fundraiser is at Z Pizza on 10/30. We also have opportunities to sell spirit wear at football games. As of this meeting there are 808 registered PTA members.

President's Report – Tammy discussed the clearance cards and the need to keep volunteers registered and updated.

Principal's Report – Mr. Ellzey explained wireless internet has been completed for the first floor of the building. The total project will cost 2X what was anticipated, and therefore the second floor has yet to be completed. Salem will host the Character Counts breakfast tomorrow, honoring students that achieved those awards. Mrs. Johnson, track 4 science teacher is now on disability. Our thoughts are with her and her family during this time. A new science teacher, Sue DePerno has been hired to cover track 4 science. The first career fair will be held Nov 2 at the Apex community center for 8th graders.

The next PTA meeting is November 6, 2007 at 7:00.