

Minutes of Crockett PTA Meeting

Thursday, September 13, 2018

1. Meeting was called to order by President Denise Soto at 7:32 pm.
2. Treasurer's Report (Treasurer Jocelyn Ortega).
 - \$3,675.72 in general account
 - \$100.00 in gaming account
 - Large fundraisers planned, school beautification is a focus this year.
 - Proposed Budget for 2018-19 school year is on website, will be voted upon at Back to School Night (9/27)
3. Correspondence—thank you notes for staff breakfast on day before first day of school (Secretary Angela Mendola)
4. **President's Report starts.** The Executive Board (President Denise Soto, VP of Fundraising Lisa Schulz, VP of Membership Brenda Biehl, Treasurer Jocelyn Ortega, and Secretary Angela Mendola) along with 25 volunteers prepared about 800 Back to School Folders for the Students.
5. Back to School Staff Breakfast—PTA provided bagels, coffee and juice for the staff
6. Back to School Night—Membership Table, What's Poppin with the PTA, Volunteers Needed, we will have water, 50/50, memberships and lollipops for sale.
7. NJPTA and Mercer County Fall Dinner meeting in October will be hosted by Nottingham PTSA
8. New Website, www.crockettpa.org
9. Reflections Program, Art Show, Heroes Around Me, Information coming home soon.
10. Box Top Collections, Due Date 9/14—win a Crockett sweatshirt, submit at least 50 to be entered into drawing. Box Top app login—attach Shop Rite card to you box top account.
11. Mentor Day, Saturday 9/15—The 3 Doctors Foundation, 100 mentors will be there.
 - The Pact describes a pact that the 3 doctors made to all go to college and become doctors, after meeting with a representative from Seton Hall.
 - open to grades 6-12, from 11-4pm, lunch included. Crockett PTA obtained a grant to supplement the event.
 - register online on the school district website.
 - over 100 kids from Hamilton School District are registered, 300 total registered.
 - Focus is on students and getting them to stay in school.
 - because children can't aspire to be what they cannot see, ROLE MODELS are so important for students.
 - NEWS (North, East, West High Schools) will be assisting with the event.
 - Parents will stay at the event with the kids
12. Beautification (outside gardening/planters) Touch of Class Gardening donated time.
13. Bulletin Board for Mentor Day—monthly rotation
14. Tricky Tray scheduled for November 16—Donations AND Volunteers Needed Sponsorships Also Needed, could use help with wrapping items, making baskets, etc.
15. Need Volunteers for Reflections, Teacher Appreciation, Etc. Opportunities are listed on the PTA website. **President's Report Ends.**

16. **Membership Report (VP of Membership, Brenda Biehl)** a new website for membership, Member Hub, allows potential members to pay online with credit card, there is also a way to sell spiritwear, tickets for events and so on.

17. 102 members as of today, goal is 400 members.

18. \$7 per person

19. Popcorn on 9/27—Back to School Night. **End of Membership Report.**

20. **Fundraising Report (VP of Fundraising, Lisa Schulz)**

Fall Fundraisers—SkyZone, 9/20

Uno's Doughraiser, 10/18 (all day event)

Cheesecake Lady Voucher Sale, A&M Pie Sale (pie pick up possible on 11/20)

Cheesecakes for Christmas? Clothing Drive in October. NO more catalog fundraisers.

Idea for CGI Racing, Volunteers for Race Day paid \$25, Volunteers 8 and up, service hours

End of Fundraising Report.

21. **Principal's Report, Principal Roxann Clarke-Holmes**

6th graders face trouble with locker combinations, recommend getting a padlock and practice at home.

--core group of teachers are responsible for group of students, helps with the flow of traffic in the halls, more engagement, builds community, same group of teachers to discuss students, classrooms are closer together.

--clarify rules and your agenda, on school website monthly parent news letter. End of each month a new one will come out. Different subject areas will be highlighted, grade level segments, providing a snapshot of each day.

--Initiatives for the school district: Security Supervisor James Walter, is new to the district.

Security initiatives include—students remain IN the building to switch classes, not go outside.

If parents want to drop off items, they can do so in the foyer without entering the school.

Parent feedback welcomed.

Crockett is now on social media, Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, updates will be posted there.

--Building and facilities updates, all the corridors have been painted, the gym painted, bathrooms remodeled for ADA compliance, Commons area was cleaned, benches sanded and painted.

--Cafeteria still needs to be painted.

--If kids are proud of where they go to school they will take care of it.

--Parent Involvement is encouraged via the School Culture Committee, Parent Advisory Committee

--Counseling Assignments, designated grade level counselors for 6-7-8 and they follow your child all the way through Crockett,--**End of Principals Report**—Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 pm