

Ben Franklin PTA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: October 9th, 2024

Presiding: Lindsey Lunn

Members Present: 25

Call to order: Meeting was called to order by Lindsey Lunn at 12:03pm.

Principal's Report: Mrs. Murdock (not present but Lindsey reported on her behalf)

- All playground equipment has been approved - just waiting on it to be delivered. It has to be done before Christmas because WFISD maintenance crew is not installing it. It's being subbed out.
- Money from district is multi-year so this will be done in phases.
- We have officially hired Mrs. Vincent for 3rd Grade. Could be here before Thanksgiving. Mrs. Russell is in Mrs. Vincent's future classroom for the time being.
- The Campus Improvement Plan is on the PTA Page.
- We have hired another Para. One position is still open. Franklin is above the 55% mark for low socioeconomic for the first time in a long time so we get additional funding. Feeling really great!
- 440 Kids at Franklin
- The first brag tag award ceremony has been scheduled. Parents will be notified if their child is receiving a brag tag.

President's Report: Lindsey Lunn

- Literacy Night is coming up - Nov 4th! We will be selling pizza and popcorn.
- Mini Grants: \$7,000 for teacher wishlist. \$2,000 for teacher supply fund. We are going to take \$1,000 from teacher supply fund and move it to teacher wishlist for a total of \$8,000. Each grade will get \$1,000. Each grade is at four teachers. Specials will be put together for \$1,000.
- Unified Kickball Game is coming up on Oct 18th. Kenner is wanting bases.

Treasurer's Report: Carolyn Harper (not present)

- Just a reminder that the money we raised last year goes towards this year.
- Principal Wishlist expenses line was added.
- Reimbursement form is available online.
- We have a venmo. @PTAFranklin

Committee Reports:

1. 1st Vice President, Homeroom Parties and Membership: Liz Hamilton

- All info has gone out for the halloween party. Liz will clarify set up time and party start time.
 - Reminder for everyone to have their background check done.
 - Room moms can come in early. You will enter through the outside door by the cafeteria.
2. 2nd Vice President, Publicity & Programs and Translator: Jacklyn Hoover
 - No Report
 3. 3rd Vice President, Fundraising: Regan Nabors
 - Will be selling croc charms and stickers on Friday for the first time.
 - Bingo for Books Nov 4th. Selling popcorn and pizza. Will need help for this.
 - Read-A-Thon will start Nov 6th. Incentives have changed a little.
 - Will do candy cane fundraiser for Christmas time.
 4. Fundraising Committee: Jessi Smith, Suzan Bibb, Whitney Thio, Julia Lamberth, Natalie Elyea, Danielle Wilson
 5. Secretary: Whitnee Harris
 - No Report
 6. Parliamentarian: April White (not present)
 - No Report
 7. Yearbook: Janee Hill
 - No Report
 - thefranklinyearbook@gmail.com
 - Will look into pricing further and who is best to use going forward.
 8. Hospitality: Janell Stewart, Lauren Cobb, Brittany Cardona
 - Popcorn bar this month.
 - Will stock teacher's lounge for November. Maybe write on a leaf what we are thankful for.
 9. T-Shirt Coordinators: Mandy Spring, KJ Mowrey, Caroline Boyd
 - If you ordered shirts, they are done today! T-shirt committee will get them passed out to the teachers and the kids will bring them home.
 - Grade Level t-shirts link closes on the 13th.
 10. Friends of Franklin: Julie Anna Hammett, Heather Cremeens, Callie Woodley, Jessica Lukert, Kim Parker
 - Julie Anna explained Friends of Franklin to all attendees.
 - 36 families currently on the list. Doing things earlier this year. \$75 per kid. Franklin Spirit Shirts for kids that attend Franklin. Going to do a gift card for

the families this year. Families can purchase what they need: stocking stuffers, food, etc.

- Passed around sign up list.

11. NTCCPTA & Site Team Rep: Amy Ketner, Jessica Borton

- Really good meeting. Campus Improvement program shows areas of improvement and what is being done to improve. Talked about PLC improvements, meeting diversity needs. Perception is lacking due to poor communication. That's the reason for the gazette, etc. Pushing info on Parent Square. Social, emotional needs and how to meet them. Smart boards and chromebook carts. Data for end of the year was great considering. Socioeconomic 57%. Our scores compared to other school's scores...some schools are getting a bump up - we are not. Amplify is going great.
- Pushing parents to get kids to school on time. Logging minutes, etc for Amplify. Trying to think of ways to incentivize getting kids to school and on time!

12. Volunteer Coordinator: Amy Berry (not present)

- Sign up genius coming for Literacy Night

13. Popcorn Coordinator: Wendi McBride, Shannon Gentry

- Popcorn for Literacy Night

14. Franklin Fathers: Matt Hoover

- Still trying to encourage dads to get involved.
- Literacy Night
- Friday Lunch Monitoring

Announcements:

- Wednesday, Oct 16th: Anti-Bullying Unity Day
- Friday, Oct 18th: Unified Lions Kickball Game
- Thursday, Oct 24th: 2nd Grade Music Program
- Monday, Oct 28th - Friday, Nov 1st: Red Ribbon Week
- Thursday, Oct 31st: Halloween Class Parties 3-3:45pm
- Monday, Nov 4th - Friday, Nov 8th: Book Fair
- Monday, Nov 4th: Bingo Literacy Family Night
- Wednesday, Nov 13th: PTA Meeting at 12pm
- Wednesday, Nov 13th: Picture Make-Up
- Wednesday, Nov 20th: Thanksgiving Luncheon

Meeting adjourned at 12:57pm.

