

Poplar Tree Elementary

PTA Meeting September 11, 2014

Called to order: 7:00pm

In attendance: Wanda Radler, Susan Lowry, Carolyn York, Carolyn Caywood, Holly Walker, Jennifer Davis, Heather Ellison, Karen Dunham, Kathy Lepiksaar, Kara Balzano, Bonita Rogers, Stacy McMahon, Allison Denenberg, Andrea Colburn, Stacy Casey, Lisa Melchiori, Christine Kantaporn, Rohit Deshfande, Jeff Parsons, Angela Han, Tannaz Haddadi, Jazmin Escaffi, Jennifer Alvarez, Sherry Olson

Review meeting minutes from August 20, 2014

*Minutes were approved as written

Audit Report by Allison Denenberg:

- Recommendations: contact check recipient if outstanding for 3 months, reimbursements should have signature of committee chair or board member on them, save a copy of bank reconciliation for the treasurer's files.
- Report stated that fundraising was very successful last year and the treasurer is doing an outstanding job. Additional suggestions regarding future year financials also made.
- Motion to approve audit report was seconded and approved.

Principal's Report: Holly Walker

- We have had a great start to the school year. The kids are learning their routines and have had a great transition back to school.
- Friday Pawprints are back in print and are out in Friday Folders.
- Lock down drill required by state will be in September 24th at 2pm and again in January.

President's report: Wanda Radler:

Budget Summary:

- Starting balance: \$50,954
- Projected Income: \$100,490
- Projected Expenses: \$111,875
- Projected Ending Amount: \$39,569

Motion to approve budget was seconded and approved

- Status of volunteers: We still need Reflections chair, Odyssey of the Mind chair, Talent Showcase, Family Fun Nights, Fairfax County Council liaison (contact Wanda if you are interested)
- Club flyers are going out, if you haven't seen them go to:
<https://sites.google.com/site/poplartreptaweb/programs>

Vice President's report: Susan Lowry:

Presentation and voting on

- Virginia PTA Legislative action item #1: Virginia PTA supports legislation that improves access and availability of quality mental health services for Virginia's troubled youth.

- Position Statement #1: Virginia PTA supports local revenue increases so long as at least 50% of the additional revenue is allocated to local Pre-K through 12 Public Education.

Treasurer's Report: Carolyn Caywood

- So far the membership drive brought in about \$2200 and spirit wear \$800
- \$53299.90 remaining balance

Membership: Jennifer Davis

- 271 individual memberships as of today. 48 Staff memberships received
- Membership table will be at both Back to School Nights and can go online: <https://sites.google.com/site/poplartreptaweb/about/join>

Fall Festival: Carolyn Caywood

- Event will be Oct. 25 5-8pm
- There will be food vendors and games for the first half. DJ and dance the second half.
- A flyer will be out by next week.
- GET EXCITED!

New Business:

- PTA has a New QR code if you have a reader on your mobile device
- We have a Twitter account! @PoplarTreePTA

Announcements:

- Grades K-3 - Back to School night - September 16, 6:30-8pm
- Grades 4-6 – Back to School Night – September 23rd 6:30-8pm
- October 8th – **Next PTA meeting** - 10am in the Language Arts room
 - o (Kathy Smith will be there from the school board.)

Meeting Adjourned: 7:35

Minutes submitted by Heather Ellison