

JB Watkins PTA
General Membership Meeting
May 10, 2022 7p.m.
JB Watkins Elementary School Cafeteria
501 Coalfield Rd. Midlothian Va, 23113

President Lindsay Miller called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

In attendance were:

Officers:

Lindsay Miller, President
Liza Maddrey, VP Ways and Means
Brittany Heare, Treasurer
Karen Crenshaw, Secretary

Committee Chairs & Guests:

Katherine Burnette, Beth Losego, Angie Barlow, Debbie Weatherford, Diana Yolango, Brenda Borgman, Sara Sitkiewicz

All other committee chairs were absent.

Quorum Certification

A quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes

See secretary report

Officer Reports

President's Report: Lindsay Miller

Lindsay thanked everyone for coming and started by saying we had a great year and was proud of this year and we were able to accomplish a lot. One of the main goals was to spoil the teachers and that we have a lot planned for next year.

Treasurer's Report: Brittany Heare

Brittany went over the balance and announced that Chick-Fil-A spirit night was a success, the Spring Fling was coming up and one of the biggest outages was the sunshades. Copies of the budget were available for review.

Vice President - Ways and Means Report: Liza Maddrey

Liza announced that we would end the year on one final spirit night possibly the last week of school. We are trying to get Chicken Fiesta for that week. She thanked everyone for the help with the Chick-Fil-A spirit night and all of these events. She announced that the sunshades permit process was done and we have 3 blue shades.

The donated picnic tables are the exact size of the shades. We are working with the green team to get the tables stained and finished. And as of now, the shades will be going in the areas with sun in the kinder area, with hopes to install them by orientation mid August. Katherine Burnette addressed Debbie Weatherford about whether the shades would help with the drainage problem in the kinder area. Debbie suggested that we might get someone to come out to assess the area, or have the installers suggest some solution. Liza called out Ms. Gunn for all she does with the book vending machine. C&F Bank put out boxes for donated books as was as the Midlo Book Exchange to encourage people to donate to the vending machine fund. Liza reported that APEX committed to come the first week in October. We are looking at other companies that have been reaching out to us for fundraising options, which could be catalog product sales for a mid November timeline. The PTA is looking for feedback from the teachers on if a direct ship would be the first choice. Debbie agreed that in the past collecting things at the school for parent pickup isn't the best option. Lastly the PTA is working with the administration to have a kindergarten meet and greet at the playground possibly August 18 to have kids, parents, and teachers meet each other and drop off school supplies.

Secretary's Report: Karen Crenshaw

The minutes from the February PTA General Membership Meeting were reviewed and hard copies of the minutes were offered at the sign-in table. There were no corrections and the minutes stand as presented.

Committee Reports

5th Grade Celebration: Sara Sitkiewicz

Sara announced that the 5th grade celebration will be on May 26 and that there will be a yard sign out front placed in the early morning and taken down at sunset. There is also a bridge being made and decorated for the event as well as a food truck. The PTA wants popcorn and ice pops. Teachers will hopefully hand out cups with gift certificates in them that will match the 5th grade shirts. Debbie asked if the sign would be available for the rain date if needed. Sara will check on this. Sara shared that there would be a photo area and a table for year book signing. She announced that 80 shirts were already ordered. Sara asked if the 4th grade parents could be asked to volunteer to help out with the celebration. Debbie answered yes and added that the custodial staff will be there at the beginning so we will need parent volunteers to help out at the end as well. Beth Losego asked if the 5th graders would be given the yearbooks at the celebration. Sara said that the 16th was the delivery date but there was no distribution date yet. Yearbooks would be delivered in school and they could have leftovers at the celebration for those that did not order one for purchase. Brenda, Debbie and Sara agreed to get a map of where to set up for the celebration.

Spring Fling: Monique Kuntz (not present)

Lindsay spoke for Monique to say the Spring Fling would be on Friday from 5:30-7:30 and that they had donations for snacks, a real photobooth, a DJ from Bach To Rock,

and a disco ball. The theme for the evening will be Back to 80s night with the option to dress up. They are still looking for volunteers.

CCPTA Update: Allyson Duffy (not present)

Lindsay updated for Allyson to say that the county PTA meeting reported that there is still a high number of teacher shortages across the district but currently there is a budget surplus, and that teacher salaries as well as salaries for support staff are under review.

Representative Reports

Principal Report: Debbie Weatherford

Debbie thanked the PTA for everything during teacher appreciation week. She announced that the Watch Dogs has nationally closed, but that does not mean we have to stop the program at the school, so she is talking with Greg Brown about getting it back up and running. Lindsay added that the PTA had promised him a new Watch Dogs banner for the front of the school. Debbie said that things were winding down with SOL testing, 5th grade promotion and field day. She announced that she is working on a new school marquee for out front and there may be some specifications to look into and the board of supervisors would let us know. Liza noted the construction work going on next to the school and asked if she could ask for a possible mulch donation from the cut trees. Debbie agreed that it couldn't hurt to ask and added that construction fences should come shortly with a permanent fence to follow eventually.

Vice Principal Report: Brenda Borgman

Brenda announced that the Papa John's curbside pizza event for next school year is scheduled for September 15.

Teacher's Report

The teachers all thanked the PTA for the support all year and gave thanks for all that that was done.

New Business

Lindsay announced that she and Liza would be switching roles of President and Vice President of the PTA for next year and that the PTA would continue to be the current PTA Board Members going into the next year.

Announcements

May 13- Spring Fling 5:30-7:30
May 26- 5th Grade Celebration 5:30-7:30
May 30- No School
June 2- 3 Hour Early Release

Adjournment

With no further business, the PTA meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Authentication of the Minutes

Respectfully submitted to the Board for approval this May 23, 2022 by Karen Crenshaw