



Nokomis PTA Meeting Minutes – September 20, 2016

Call to order: A meeting of Nokomis PTA was held at Nokomis South on September 20, 2016 at 6:00pm

Attendees included: Deb Horne, Cherie Collette, Carrie Brooks-Babcock, Sarah Niclula, Marcey Xiong, Dystanny Gatlin, Vang, Nicole Ertz, Uday Shanker, Juthmaju Shanker, Julia Kallmes, Wendy Slede, Kristie Zellmer McKenna Richards, Melissa McCollor, John Andrastek and Dawn Westin.

Review last month's minutes: Reviewed August meeting minutes - No other corrections requested.

Treasurer Reports: Informal report presented by Deb Horne with approximate balances noted. Current balance – Checking \$21,600 (\$13,000 dedicated to E2), Savings \$4,300. Artist in residence was paid. Formal report will be provided in October.

Old business:

Ice Cream Social: South – went well, need to add to 300 (up from 240) for ice cream next year. North – fairly good participation, but had extra 100 ice cream out of 430 ordered, will adjust numbers for next year.

Volunteer recruitment – PTA volunteer information was collected at both locations – 12 new families signed up. Cherie will continue work on updates and new contacts. Exploring other ways to make sign up for volunteer events easier. Deb to bring back information on “Volunteer Spot”.

Teachers appreciated bagels and coffee purchased by PTA for teacher opening day. Will continue to support this in 2017.

Student Directory – Hilary is taking South and Deb is taking North for input of student info. Note: Targeted deadline for student information was Sept. 16th.

New business:

Teacher requests: No requests at this time.

1. Newsletter – October will be first PTA newsletter. Cherie is preparing and has layout but still working on focus subject. Deadline for newsletter to Melissa and John is one week prior to newsletter issue date.

2. Fund raising proposed for 2016-2017:
 - a. Chipolte (Julia to lead) – intend to run two times in the year (April 13th and second date to be determined), Julia has secured Oct. 11th for first of the two Chipolte fund raisers at the Maplewood Chipolte near highway 36 and White Bear Avenue.
 - b. Davanni's (Dawn to lead)
 - c. Wendy's (Cherie talked with manager and they are very interested in trying it – this would be first time for them. Will get more details but targeting January date)
 - d. Zuppa's Woodbury (Hilary to lead when she becomes available– targeting May)
 - e. Walk-a-thon (Christy/Melissa will contact Amy Chuhul to get further info)
3. Fall Festival Planning – Friday, September 30th, Nokomis North
 - a. Photographer secured – Grace will take photos, Sara will pick up 2 large hay bales.
 - b. Harding ROTC (12) have been requested and will support the festival activities – bounce house and games.
 - c. Egg Rolls for sale
 - d. Little Oven Pizza – Carrie is ordering Pizza's
 - e. Other Food - Cookies, water, cider, carmel apples (300) and other items under consideration for sale. Deb will make the larger food and supply purchases for the festival. Dawn will order and pick up the 300 carmel apples from Cub for food sale and Harvest Walk game.
 - f. Face painting – supplies are at North (Deb/Carrie will check if more are needed).
 - g. Bounce houses – one will be paid for by Club's choice and PTA has agreed to pay for a second bouncer house for fall festival. \$2.00 will be charged for each child who wants to bounce – un-limited.
 - h. Wrist-bands – Melissa will provide to Deb H. John will check for additional bands if needed.
 - i. Pumpkin Bean Bag game (Cherie's troop repainted as project with Girl Scout Troop – Special Thanks to the Girl Scouts!!)
 - j. Flu Shots – clinic is arranged, provider will bring insurance so bring card or if they do not have insurance then there is no charge
 - k. Fall Crafts – Mary Brooks is leading craft area
 - l. Games
 - i. Sucker game –
 - ii. Pumpkin Toss
 - iii. Bean bag pumpkin toss
 - iv. Need Small Prizes – Trick or treat buckets with small prizes (pencils, stickers, fall items) - Carrie
 - m. Harvest Carmel Apple/Pumpkin Walk - (Dawn to get carmel apples and Carrie to get small pumpkins)
 - n. Exploring Children's Dental, Car Seats/Bike Helmet (MN Neurology Society) – Review again for spring event.
 - o. Volunteer recruitment for Fall Festival is coming along great. Cherie and Carrie are working on schedules and will provide to the volunteers and have a copy at fall festival.
4. Teacher Potluck – Wednesday, November 16th

- a. South – Dawn and Nikki (Science room, 2nd floor)
- b. North – Deb, need additional volunteer (Science room will be used for Potluck)
- c. Drop off food at the office areas. Can be early am up to potluck time for drop off.

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, October 18 at 6:00pm, Nokomis South (525 White Bear Avenue) at school entrance.