**September Meeting**

**September 8, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by PTA President Kristin Zauel at 7:01PM.

**Principal’s Update Lisa Reddel**

* Introduction to new parents. We strive to keep the meeting to one hour so people keep coming back. Smooth opening to school- thank you to staff and PTA.
* Literacy symposium over the summer- representative from every grade. Playground update to be ADA compliant.
* This is the safest place your kids can be. Be inclusive, sensitive of all. We do not express political views here.
* One way to measure our progress is SOLs. English SOLS increased 2 percentages from last year (up to 95% ) Math increased 2% (up to 95%) Science increased 2% (up to 95%) On Zillow, school is rated as 10 d/t increases (up from 9). Schooldigger school rating is 40.
* Enrollment at all-time high- 970 students. Third grade class added from last year. Kindergarten teacher added caused change in school layout. Old computer lab is now 6th grade classroom. Computer lab (30 stations) moved to old IEP room. Teacher’s lounge is now a first grade classroom (A-10)
* Principal coffees to continue (two in morning and two in evening). Some feedback that will be implemented include topics for each coffee and open forum.
* “We are the only profession of ‘every’”

**Minutes Review**

* Amendment to June PTA Minutes- Andrea Barrett and Marian Hoelscher were nominated as FCPS’ Outstanding Support Staff Member(s) of the year.
* Motion made to accept minutes and seconded. Motion approved on voice vote.

**Business Matters Kristin Zauel**

* PTA Membership form on website. PTA membership money goes to State PTA- not Sangster. Fall fundraiser is Directory for $35. New Webmaster. Teachers PTA membership is funded by PTA Grant.
* School Supplies fundraiser made $1600. 212 people participated.
* Think Kindess Assembly (September 28 at 1:30 for lower grades and 2:30 for upper grades) piggybacks off of administration “Student of the Month”. It focuses on compassion and character as opposed to test scores. The Assembly will focus on having no fear of a good thing, be committed to being a good person and live your life as if you were the hero of your dreams.
* Buddy Bench to be implemented through Tina Williams.
* To start a new club we have to have 2 adults at every club meeting including a parent liaison. A meeting with PTA Leadership must occur to determine needs and benefits.
* Coding Club Membership to be offered at Sangster through STEM ExCEL to offer both before school and after school options. Motion made and seconded. Motion approved on voice vote.
* Fencing Club needs parent liaison.

**Treasure’s Report**

* Budget changed from last year to reflect increase of $1600 and Cultural Arts assemblies to increase from $3K to $5K. Motion made and seconded. Motion approved on voice vote.
* PTA to continue to concentrate finances on technology (computers), Literacy Room and teacher professional development.
* Checking account balance as of July 31st is $27,221.83
* Checking account balance ending Aug 31st is $14,690.68
* Passed audit

**Committee Reports**

* Spirit Wear sold $3200 worth of shirts sold during Open House
* Selling Mabels Labels has made $52
* “Screen on the Green” Fundraising event is September 30th- “The Jungle Book”
* Reflections Contest deadline is October 14th.
* Science Fair before Spring Break. More information to follow.
* Box Tops and Giant Rewards are big money makers for school. Please sign up for Giant Rewards through the website and collect Box Tops.
* Directory contest pictures need to be vertical not horizontal.
* Bus Driver Appreciation and Teacher Thanksgiving luncheon in November.
* Volunteers needed for all events

Meeting adjourned at 8:12pm