

**Fawn Hollow PTO Meeting**  
**Monday, May 13, 2019**  
**Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Richer**

**Attendance:**

Mike Rubin, Rachel Pol, Elizabeth Richer, Candice Boyle, Tori Wash, Michele Garofalo, Laura Josephson, Shannon Jackson, Chris Grumet, Melissa Sternthal, Becky Kosisko, Kate Goyette, Samantha Bahamon, Nichole Beirut, Robyn Augustine, Rachel Olivera, Alison Bittner, Roseanne Haughton (science coordinator).

**President's Welcome, Mike Rubin**

- Happy May. Hope you had a wonderful Mother's Day!

**Principal's Report:**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades have finished SBAC. 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be testing in science this week (2-3 days). This is the first time that the test "counts," as last year was a pilot year. Results reporting out in the fall.
- The staff was delighted with teacher/staff appreciation week! So generous and kind! Thank you!
- Plant sale, school store, voting – very busy week. May gets jam packed.
- Coming up: lots of field trips. We are looking for people to march in the Parade. 5<sup>th</sup> grade reflections is on June 11 at 2PM (last FULL day of school). Last day of school officially June 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Email from Superintendent on Friday. The student who died had attended Fawn Hollow and the whole community is sad and sending our sympathies.

**Fac/Staff Visitor: Roseanne Haughton:**

- Camp Invention contacted us. It's organized by the Inventors Hall of Fame. 5 day summer camp here at Fawn Hollow, with our own teachers running it. School messenger notices went out and they've been doing inventor trivia in the lunch room. They hope the community will like it and it will take hold!
- June 24-28, 8:30 – 3:00. Entering first through sixth grade. Middle schoolers are welcome as "Leaders in Training." \$265 for the whole week.

**Parent Council Report:**

- Guest speaker was new Director, Missy from Parks & Rec They decided to do extra pool hours on Mondays and Fridays, figuring more people tend to do flex time on those days. Leaving Tues-Thurs open for groups to rent the pool out. Big project: New fields. Missy inherited this project and isn't sure why it's taking so long, but there are a few issues (bathrooms are far away; parking issues/whether to pave overflow or add another lot; would like to continue on with plans for splash pad). They are redeveloping the Summer Fun Days, and they have a new Director, and adding more field trips for the middle school campers.
- Did mock car crash for juniors and seniors. Do it every two years before the prom.
- Looking for people to join new committee to think through what skills we want to give our students by the time they graduate, and how to motivate them (more student led teaching, for example). Superintendent will present in January of 2020.
- Post prom party is this Friday and they need many volunteers!
- Playground Foundation: June 9<sup>th</sup> from 12-4pm is Party in the Park fundraiser.

**Treasurer's report**

- \$1550 net on Family Fun Night
- Spending on EOY Picnic – mostly deposits on rentals and early purchases.
- Money in for Mother/Daughter and additional money covered our expenses.

- Library money still needs to be spent!
- Mini grants: Ikea orders are coming tomorrow, and computers came in last week!
- Field trips: the fourth grade collected their field trip money before the money came in from PTO. So we will carry over this years money, and add it to their fifth grade fund!
- Balance as of 9/9/19 is: \$35,136.17

### **Auction/Parents' Night Out:**

- We have a date and location! November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Stone Barn. Approved for Disney Points of Light program for Disney tickets to auction off, but now we need to plan a family oriented volunteer event, ideally something at the EOY Picnic. Some ideas: homeless "goody" bags, dog toys, seedlings, troops care packages, etc. Tickets will be \$65 pp.

### **End of Year Picnic:**

- Well organized! Have inflatables, grills, generators all lined up. Challenge is getting volunteers! Everything from stuffing envelopes to manning photo booth, grills, etc. Can't have a picnic without volunteers! In a couple weeks we'll solicit volunteers from Masuk, but we need adults to oversee each station. About 200 tickets sold so far. Want to be sure staff members know they can attend free of charge.
- Issue of cost of renting items such as coolers, where we could pay the same amount to buy them. But we have no space to store them. Masuk woodworking students could make us a shed at cost, but it can't be larger than able to fit through their doors.

### **Mother/daughter**

- May 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:30. Open seating so arrive early to find your seats. 3 tickets left. We should plan on not working with them again in the future.

### **Plant Sale**

- Plant sale was a success. Lauren Orlando, Kirsten Douglass and Katie Mondo -- big thank you!

### **School Store**

- We met our goal of \$4000 for the year!

### **Quassy**

- Jen Conolly and Ines Dodge running it.

### **Survey**

- Went over survey results. See attached.

### **Teacher Appreciation Week**

- Laura Harbron did a fantastic job! Awesome tshirts. So many people contributed – thank you so much! Flower day was chaotic for 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade with SBAC testing. Maybe a bouquet from the room reps instead of flowers from each individual next year?

### **Yearbook**

- Yearbook is done and at printer! We had great sales so only a few left – you can't order online but you can send in \$20 in cash or check. We need a new co-chair next year!

### **Apparel:**

- 36 orders in spring (86 in fall). 1/3 of the orders were faculty this spring. Spring sale netted us about \$200.

### **New Business**

- Volunteer thank you reception 6/12 at Monroe Social at 7pm
- MSA conversion to Membership Toolkit, starting on 6/13. Will be done for membership renewal on step up day.
- Kindergarten Orientation – May 29<sup>th</sup> at 4pm
- Gym updating project – focus on replacing main basketball events. It's ~ \$10K to remove the two hoops and replace with fiberglass backboards, breakaway rims and crank system. Would be best to get it done over the summer to have it ready for the fall. Vote on an amendment to the budget to approve spending funds on these gym purchases for \$12,500 to be allocated for it. (This builds in extra funds for anything that might come up or go wrong while doing the install.) Voted and approved unanimously.