# Pinecrest Parent Council Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2018

# Welcome & call to order:

**In Attendance:** Katie Van Dorn, Meghan Drouare, Todd Swales, Tanya Merritt, Marilyn Earley, Christie Alwin, Ellie Vlahos, Lisa Parker, Karen McCloskey, Rhiannon Worgess-Carveth, Kathryn Schneyer, Jamie Harbin, and Jasmine King

**Call to order:** Todd Swales called the meeting to order on Dec 4th at 7 P.M.

**Approval of the Agenda and** **Minutes:** There was a motion and a second to approve the agenda; the motion passed. There was a motion and a second to approve the minutes from the Nov 2018 Parent Council meeting; the motion passed.

# Officer Reports:

**Presidents** **Report -**Todd Swales

* Tomorrow meeting for recount for school board members. Recount will take place 10th and 11th.
* District parent council meeting- update from Dori about boundary lines

**Vice President Report** – Tanya Merritt

* Dec 11th – date for Candy Cane shop (PPC buying mini gift bags)
* Signup genius ready but not pushed out. 5th graders helped out last year, planning to do that again.
* Marco’s Pizza Night tomorrow night!

**Treasurer Report** – Lisa Parker

* Rough budget sheet done.
* Current balance at $21,412.93. There is a discrepancy about Color Run Profits that Lisa is looking into.
* About $4000 available for teacher grants.

**Secretary Report**– Meghan Drouare

* Website is up to date.

**Volunteer Coordinator Report** – Katie Van Dorn

* Need to figure out a way to get more parents/caregivers involved for volunteering. Lots of good questions and some ideas (social/parent mixer, mass emails, bring siblings/younger kids to volunteering, also revamping a few strategies from the past)

**Book Fair Coordinator** – Lisa Parker

* “Thank you, Thank you for everyone who worked the book fair!” Lots of people buying. Have about $1,500 in scholastic dollars still.
* Ms. Harbin (teacher) said Thanks so much for all the books for the classrooms!

**Principal Report:** Amy Webster not here, Amy Schneyer was here for her.

* Amy is such a great open principal. She created flexible grouping with the title 1 teacher.

**Teacher Representative Report**- Amy Schneyer

* There are currently 26 and 25 students in the 2 Kindergarten classes (Martin and Holmes respectively), the cap limit is 22. Conversation led to that there are concerns of not just academics but also of the safety of the kindergarteners with so many kids in the classrooms. There are no overload paraprofessionals or extra teachers in these classrooms.
* Christie and Ellie suggested that the Kindergarten parents and teachers should go to the BOE meetings. They recommended coming with concerns and a solution!
* Other concerns by parents raised that Pinecrest is becoming a dumping ground.

# New Business:

1. Teacher Grants-
2. Tina Crawford Grant – not here to present (Item was tabled)
3. Jamie Harbin- presented. Her original request was tabled as a backup. There was a provisional vote conducted to fund up to $1,500 if program could be attained for entire 3rd grade. Provisional vote passed.

OId Business:

1. STEAM Night – worked well being across numerous classrooms. 110 bowls of chili served. About 150 kids/parents attended.
2. Candy Cane Shop – Dec 11th (see update above)
3. Spirit wear- Todd is working with Retro Duck, hopefully will have forms in Fridays (Dec 7th) email
4. Multicultural night – Wed January 23rd – Jasmine reached out to MSU groups. Parent suggested reaching out to the highschool clubs. Jasmine will also reach out to the Pinecrest parents and to the ELPL Social reading group and the Islamic Center
5. Lisa to talk to PNC about waiving annual fees
6. Time Capsule plan for the current building - TBD

Upcoming Events:

1. Book Fair – Dec 3-7th
2. Candy Cane Shop – Dec 11th
3. Multicultural night – Jan 23rd
4. Heart Hop Dance – Feb 22nd

# Open Discussion/Questions:

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# Adjournment:

* Meeting was adjourned. Minutes recorded and submitted by Meghan Drouare