

Patriot Oaks Academy General PTO Meeting Minutes

2/26/2016 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Patriot Oaks Academy Cafeteria

Attendance:

Board Members: Robyn Lilac, Amy Mendheim, Aimee Decaria, Tonya Porter, Jenn Neuman.

Administration: Emily Harrison, Jeff Stoddard, Caty Van Housen. School Board Member: Beverly Slough. PTO Members signed in on membership list.

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Patriot Oaks PTO was held in the Cafeteria of Patriot Oaks Academy on Friday, February 26, 2016. President Robyn Lilac called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. Jenny Mahne will record minutes for this meeting.

Reports:

- ❖ Welcome/Call to Order
- ❖ Approval of the Minutes from January 11, 2016
 - Jenny Dupree made motion to approve the minutes from January 11, 2016. Jennifer Perlmutter second the motion. Minutes approved.
- ❖ President Report – Robyn Lilac
 - We are now in testing Season - Proctors needed! Please check volunteer section of PTO website for more information.
 - Needs Assessment Survey is online until April 1.
 - Complete survey and your child gets a cookie from the cafeteria.
 - Spring Carnival will be held April 16:
 - Room moms are coordinating themed baskets within each classroom.
 - Volunteers will be needed, those sign-ups will be posted soon.
 - Kindergarten registration – please share with neighbors.
 - TH March 10, 1-5
 - FRI April 8, 9-1
 - MON May 9, 1-5
 - **Upcoming Events**
 - March 4 – Spirit Stick sale during lunch.
 - March 11 – Middle School Dance, 6-8PM
 - March 18-28 – No School, Spring Break
- ❖ Treasurer’s Report – Tonya Porter
 - PTO is on budget – standing balance is currently \$78,678.72
 - Playground account current balance: \$10,957.62
 - Staff Development account balance \$1,462.16
- ❖ New Business - 2016 – 2017 PTO Nominating Committee:

- Committee's Nominees for Board positions (Presented by Jenny Mahne from the Nominating Committee)
 - Slated Ballot:
 - President - Robyn Lilac
 - Co-VP - Diane Thompson
 - Co-VP – Jennifer Perlmutter
 - Recording Secretary – Stephanie Scisco
 - Business Partners - OPEN
 - Corresponding Secretary - Aimee DeCaria
 - Treasurer - Tonya Porter
- Opened Nominations from the floor: No nominations from the floor were called.
- Please consider volunteering to serve in the important role of Community Contributor Coordinator.

❖ Beverly Slough – School Board Member

- Thank you for your support of the sales tax referendum.
- We have been able to borrow against the funds from Sales Tax Revenue in advance to bond 3 new schools to be built in the coming year.
 - K – 8 – Aberdeen. Will be similar to POA
 - Twenty Mile Development in Nocatee K – 8
 - West of Mill Creek – Elementary school
- In addition we currently have an expansion going at Nease High school.
- In the fall the school board will begin to work on rezoning to adjust for the new schools for the 2017 – 2018 school year.
- Began Tuesday to explore the hiring process to replace our Superintendent. Dr. Joyner has done a wonderful job for 14 years, and will be leaving his post in January 2017.
 - Part of the process will include a survey to parents to give input.
 - Would like to have someone hired by October, 2016 to provide some transition time with Dr. Joyner.

❖ Principal's Report:

- Thank you to Ms. Slough for being here.
- Thank you to the PTO: Staff Development account of the PTO budget just spent almost \$10,000 to send teachers to training.
 - Visible learning piece of our teachers' training is still in process and being used daily in instructional techniques.
 - Profession Development day most recently covered feedback... not just feedback that teachers give students, but more so about the feedback the students give teachers, called "Feed-forward".
- Please fill out the Survey that was emailed out!

- ❖ Presentation by AP, Jeff Stoddard about Technology Use in our School (Presentation will be available to view on the School's website for those who did not attend meeting. <http://www-poa.stjohns.k12.fl.us/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/All-things-POA.pdf>)
 - Presentation included useful information on Carpool line, how PTO's Support and funding is supporting classroom achievement, 1:1 Digital technology update, and FSA testing information and testing dates.

Next Meeting Date & Time:

Monday, April 4, 2016 – 9:15 a.m. meeting at **Patriot Oaks Academy Cafeteria **Voting for 2016 – 2017 PTO Board****

Meeting Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Submitted by,
Jenny Mahne
Corresponding Secretary
Approved: _____