

Thomas Paine PTA Meeting Minutes for November 9, 2015

I. The meeting was called to order by Dana Perez at 6:30 PM.

II. Principal Report – Mrs. Cooper

- Thank you for all the food donations for Parent Teacher Conferences
- Read and Treat was a success. There was an excellent turnout.
- The first Thomas Paine Leading Stars breakfast was well attended. The next months leading stars will be awarded for Integrity, Generosity and Gratitude and there will be a Chili supper to celebrate these leading stars.
- A fourth grade teacher at Thomas Paine is testing Engage NY software for math. This involves multistep problem solving and may be adopted by the school district.
- Veteran's Day assembly will be on Wednesday, November 11th at 1:30. Mrs. Wyatt has requested that Girl scouts and Boy scouts wear their uniforms to school.

III. Executive Committee Reports

1. President – Dana

1. Volunteer opportunities at PTA functions include: Movie Night, School Carnival and Fun and Field Day.
2. Scott Dowds made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes for October 19, 2015. Laura Lyons seconded the motion. This was voted on and approved unanimously.

2. Vice President – Katie

1. Yankee Candle orders arrived. We grossed approximately \$2700. Fifty kids participated. The top 3 sellers will have lunch with Mrs. Cooper and the classes with the largest participation will get a Popsicle party.

3. Vice President – Ronda

1. Movie Night is Friday, November 13, 2015. The doors will open at 5:45 and the movie will start at 6:15. The movie will be Inside Out. The sorority has 8 volunteers that will help out.
2. Jaimee Gleisner volunteered to make signs to put up along the drive advertising Movie Night.

4. Treasurer – Melissa

1. Ending Balance as of Nov. 9, 2015: \$14,273.97

IV. Old Business

- Applebee's fundraiser was a big success. We made \$501.
- We decided to sign a contract with Jostens for the yearbook this year. Yearbooks will be delivered on May 16th.
- Garden Committee has planted some plants in the sensory garden.
- Hospitality Committee – Thank you to everyone who donated food for Parent Teacher Conferences. It was a success.
- Grant Committee – Is planning on meeting with Sandy and Randy (the school districts grounds person) to take a look at the current playground.

V. New Business

- School carnival will be on February 19th. We are currently planning on a Hollywood theme again this year.
- The school will be accepting donations for needy Thomas Paine students again this year. Gifts need to be turned into the school before Thanksgiving.
- Local fundraiser's will include Hickory River in January and Monical's in April.
- The next PTA meeting will be on Monday, December 14th.
- Member Jaimee Gleisner spoke about what she's doing with the PTA website. There will be a page explaining different opportunities at Thomas Paine in Fine Arts and Sports.
- Katie Madigan made a motion to purchase some K cups for the teachers before the holidays. Scott Dowds seconded the motion. This was voted on and approved unanimously.

VI. The meeting was formally adjourned at 7:45.

Attendance: Kristi Gresch, Scott Dowds, Katie Madigan, Melissa Dowds, Heather McKeever-Murphy, Sandy Cooper, Dana Perez, Paige Waggoner, Rebecca Wiltfong, Ronda Holliman, Laura Lyon, Jaimee Gleisner and Amanda Alleman.

***The PTA meeting minutes for November 9, 2015 have not yet been approved. The PTA will review them and vote to approve them at the next meeting on December 14, 2015.