

## SCPS Lower School Chatham Pkwy PTF

November 6, 2014

Introduction of Officers by Chanda Mashburn, Don Adams, Jennifer Bolen, and Debbie Nash

Opening Prayer by Randy Dart

Meeting minutes from September and October were approved.

Treasurer's Report - Current balance is \$7,525.04

### **Administrative Updates**

- Dr. Palmer shared that on November 2nd, eight faculty member attended the Georgia Independent School Association Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. The information learned will be shared at the next faculty meeting .
- Middle school principle Mike Crosby and his wife will be going to Washington for the Blue Ribbon Ceremony. SCPS Middle School is the only private middle school in the country receiving the Blue Ribbon this year.

### **General Updates/Committee Reports**

Box Tops- Chantana Blessett shared a flyer that was created for a classroom collection contest in January 2015. The class with the most Box Tops will win lunch from Chick-Fil-A or Marcos Pizza. The collection deadline will be January 9th, and the winning class party will be January 22nd. Chantana mentioned offering an incentive to teachers. Possibly a \$25 Target gift card.

Teacher Appreciation- Jennifer Bryk shared that the next mid-term lunch will be held on Nov. 13th. The theme will be "Thankful for our Teachers." For the teacher appreciation gift in December, during the first two weeks of December, teachers will each get a 1/2 day off for Christmas shopping.

Thanksgiving Feast- Dawn Lee shared that plans for the Thanksgiving feast are on schedule. There will be a pre-planning meeting with the volunteers on November 20th, and the feast will take place on November 25th. Kroger will be catering the event, offering the same prices from the previous year. Maria Ternstrom donated all of the decorations for the feast.

Resource Teachers- Jenny Schmucker sent a letter out to room parents to gage if there would be any interest in volunteering as room parents for resource teachers. Jenny was contacted by many parents offering to help, and each resource teacher now has 2 room parents.

Fundraiser- Officers and administration are still working on when the next PTF fundraiser will take place and what will be offered.

### **New Business**

Teacher Gifts- The PTF will be giving each teacher \$50 to be put in their "teacher bank account" for school needs. Under this system, teachers turn in their receipts and are reimbursed. \$50 will be given to teachers and resource teachers, and \$25 to para-professionals. Many PTF members thought a \$50/25 gift card would be more convenient for teachers and also more helpful for teachers that have already purchased their class supplies for the year. Jessica Walden mentioned that the American Express gift card is currently being offered with no fees.

Desk pockets - Maria Ternstrom has repaired and replaced desk pockets for every classroom at the Chatham Pkwy lower school. It was discussed replacing the current desk pockets with a higher quality denim desk pocket. The denim

pockets also come with a 5 year guarantee. Maria has purchased some of the new desk pockets for Mrs. Carruthers' classroom. She will update the PTF at the end of the school year on the sturdiness of the new desk pockets.

Georgia Day- Mrs. Tootle is interested in bringing a wildlife display as part of Georgia Day. Georgia Southern offers a display they could bring for a fee. She is looking for other businesses/organizations that may also offer wildlife displays.

**The next PTF Meeting will be held on December 11, 2014 @ 8:30am**