

Meeting Minutes

Aucilla Christian Academy PTO

Date: October 1, 2015

Location: ACA Classroom

Meeting called to order by: President Michelle Green

Time: 2:00 pm

Attendance: Michelle Green, Stephanie Roland, Michele Arceneaux, Ann Kennedy, Holli Slaughter, Sandi Faglie, Nicole Russell, Jennifer Walker, Tanya Little, Jennefer McLeod, Jodi Mills, Laurie Chmura

Fall Festival

- Theme basket content list needed by end of day to distribute in Friday's papers.
- All baskets and booth commitments are filled.
- Need volunteers to work booths.
- Discussed theme basket funding issues and how to resolve lack of parent participation. We also discussed forming a committee to coordinate baskets with other fundraising efforts to avoid repeating community donation requests. Next year we'll explore forming this committee to streamline the process.

Box Tops

- Stephanie Roland gave an update on box tops pick up. So far we've earned \$569.80.

Yankee Candle Fundraiser

- Ann Kennedy provided an update for the Yankee Candle Fundraiser. We expect to earn \$5464 from combined catalog and internet sales. This fundraiser was a great success and earned more than in previous years.

Follow up from last meeting

- We had discussed ways to spend our fundraising dollars. With respect to an elementary science lab, Mr. Finlayson replied that elementary classes are permitted to sign up to use the existing science lab.
- We voted to approve the purchase of a refrigerator/freezer for the classroom adjoining the K4 room, as the freezer is out in the existing refrigerator. Will be looking for sales around Veterans' Day and Thanksgiving.
- We also discussed spending money on field trips. Teachers did not approve spending money for off campus field trips, so we will explore field trips on location, where everyone in elementary can participate.
- Other things to do: discuss end of year party with Mrs. Love, which would include 1st through 5th grades; the purchase of a PTO bulletin board; purchase shelves and totes for PTO shed; get "Be Drug Free Week" and Mother/Son day on the calendar.

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- With the possibility of obtaining a corporate sponsor, Holli Slaughter wants to put the tech run on the calendar for February.

Technology

- ACA has a technology committee that meets every 6 weeks. PTO has discussed whether to donate funds to this committee, for purchases as the committee sees fit.
- The committee is considering the purchase of used smartboards from another school—and is seeking input from teachers on whether they would use them.
- The committee is looking for a commitment from the PTO for funds.
- The group discussed this topic at length, but no vote was taken.

The next PTO meeting is Thursday, November 4, 2015 at 2:00 pm in the classroom next to the K4 room.