

Dogwood PTA Board Meeting
November 8, 2011
Recorded by: Kelly Long, secretary

Called to order by Laura Clausen at 6:00pm.

October minutes:

- No amendments.
- Approved as read.

Reports:

Germantown Parks and Recreation – Michelle McDonnell

- Please review the city activity calendar that is available at city hall and on the Germantown Parks and Recreation web site for upcoming activities and events.

Principal

- The Delta at Dogwood Park will have a planting day and ribbon cutting at 10:30am this Saturday.
- As a result of the generous donations during the PTA Donation drive, we are able to purchase six Promethean boards, Foss kits and to also furnish supplies so that each student will be able to participate in weekly science labs. Thank you!

President

- Thank you for your PTA donations! The donations total just under \$29,000.
- The Delta at Dogwood Park will be completing the park landscaping this weekend. If you are able to volunteer, please bring shovels, wheel barrows, rakes, etc.
- Pizza Pro night is scheduled for this week.
- Constant Contact goes out once a week. Please let me know if you are not being included in the emails.

Vice President

- The PTA donation drive totaled \$28,998.52.
- The donations have been allocated to fund the following:
 1. Promethean Boards \$14,349.00
 2. Document Cameras \$1,000.00
 3. Foss Kits \$4,467.00
 4. Consumables \$3,000.00
 5. Crafts \$3,000.00
- Please email Brandy Blank any nominations for PTA Honorary Lifetime Membership by November 22nd.

Treasurer

- As of November 10, bank balances are as follows:
Savings \$35,885.48
Checking \$31,409.08
- Please keep in mind that much of the donation drive money has been spent on Foss kits for science and Promethean boards which have been ordered, but not paid for yet.

Book Fair

- Thank you for coming out for the Barnes and Noble for the book fair. We had \$16,000 in sales. All of the proceeds go to the library.
- Fourth grade was the class that won for most attendance.
- The Houston Middle School book fair is March 3rd.

Hospitality

- Our Family Breakfast event is December 1st and 2nd. K-2nd will attend on Thursday. Grades 3-5 will attend on Friday.
- If you have more than one child, plan to attend on the day assigned to your oldest child.

Legislative

- There is a new 23 member school board.
 1. Of seven newly appointed members, none are from Germantown.
 2. The appointed representative for Germantown/Collierville is Venecia Kimbrow of Collierville.
 3. Election of a new board will be in August 2012.
 4. Billy Orgel is the elected chair of the new board.
- Rezoning for Collierville Middle School
 1. It does not appear that kids at Dogwood will be affected.
 2. Bailey Station kids could be affected.
- Municipal School Districts
 1. Mayor Goldsworthy, three Germantown Aldermen, and Lawton went to look at three different municipal school districts in Eastern Tennessee at the end of October.
 2. Report by consulting firm due in January.

Room Parents

- The first round of parties is done. Only one glitch: ***please do not bring siblings, younger or older.***
- Field Trips
 1. Third grade and Kindergarten have already had their field trips for the first semester.
 2. Fourth grade will go to the Chuckalissa Museum tomorrow.
 3. Fifth grade goes to Elmwood Cemetery next week.
 4. Second grade is going to see Annie on December 6th.
 5. First Grade is going to the Botanic Gardens.
- ***Please be aware that not all venues may allow for a lot of chaperones. Please only come if you are signed up to attend.***
- There is a date change. The next room parent meeting is on November 15 in the cafeteria.

Winterfest

- Save the date! Our new date for Winterfest is February 25th.
- If you have a business, please consider donating to the silent auction.
- Vendor booths are \$50.00 this year.

Yearbook

- Our full color, 128 page yearbook is still for sale.
- The price is \$40 until November 30th.
- The price increases on December 1st to \$45.00
- Please email Nancy Yenser with any question.
- Thank you to those who have given permission to put your kids pictures on the Shutterfly site.

The next meeting will be December 13 at 9:15am in the cafeteria.

The meeting was adjourned.