



Thursday, October 9th, 2025

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 6:38pm

Attendees: (attendance not officially taken tonight. There were approximately 35 attendees).

Approval of last meeting's minutes: Liz motioned to approve, Staci seconded.

Approval items: none

Review of last meeting's to-do items and events: N/A

Executive items:

1. President's Report

- a. Started PBIS orders, teacher appreciation treats were given, Hurricane Spirit Friday started on Fridays, volunteers were gathered for picture day (which was a success), celebrated custodian appreciation day, ordered trash cans, Hurricane Hank won by a landslide and he is now ordered!
- b. **Make sure if you're having a vendor on campus that they get approved through the district.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. In the last 3 weeks, total collected is \$5,165: some memberships, \$500 incentive with Chase Bank, \$125 Raven Rock (5 bookings), \$500 for table sponsorships. Donations is \$3620, including \$3,600 from Cunningham Creek Elementary.
- b. Expenses in the last 3 weeks: \$2,188, including processing fees on the website, office supplies, Trunk or Treat, fundraising costs, PBIS, teacher appreciation (largest expense).
- c. Total income for 3 weeks: \$2,976.81
- d. So far \$64,484 this year income collected (sponsorships, memberships, Raven Rock, events)
- e. \$27,329 expenses so far this year
- f. \$37,154 in the bank as of this morning

3. Membership Report

- a. 141 members, including 2 WaterSong folks!

Upcoming activities reports:

1. Boosterthon/Fundraising

- a. Goal: \$40,000 for sunshades
- b. Registration opened this Monday. Please sign up kids! Rewards are given just for signing up.
- c. Oct 21st kick-off date
- d. Expenses: freeze pops, slime for Mr. Hathaway
- e. Incentives: treats for \$20k raised, inflatable race for \$30k, slime principal for \$40k, leading class will get a pizza party. There are also teacher incentives.
- f. Oct 30th race with staggered times for grades. Families are allowed to come cheer on kids as long as they're approved through the district AND they RSVP.
- g. 10% students have already signed up! 29% of those students already have donations from 13 states, with \$2,178 already raised!
- h. Jersey Mikes fundraiser on Nov. 3rd, Chick Fil-A on Dec. 9th

2. Trunk or Treat

- a. Chick Fil-A cow is coming for our trunk or treat!
- b. Oct 17th is the scheduled date; we're looking for a few more volunteers. High schoolers are welcome to come help with the set up crew.
- c. 27 trunks signed up so far
- d. Trunks that win get a trophy (trophies for best in school, family, and costume)
- e. Looking for more candy donations
- f. Liz will ask if RiverTown can send out info with their weekly update
- g. We should likely expect at least 500 kids to come through
- h. Budget: trophies, plates, napkins, maybe more candy
- i. Fundraising element: selling pizza
- j. Canned food donations encouraged

3. Goodies with Grands

- a. 101 RSVPs, we are planning on about 250 showing up
- b. Food and drinks are secured. Chick Fil-A, Starbucks, Publix have donated, plus neighborhood friends. No vendors are coming in
- c. 7 volunteers signed up. We'll cap it at 10.
- d. Balloon arch coming in, photo booth going to be set up, along with crafts
- e. We ARE accepting monetary donations
- f. We'll tell everyone to park in the north parking lot so everyone knows where to go

Chairperson reports:

1. Teacher Appreciation

- a. Coming up on same week as Trunk or Treat
- b. Staff appreciation gifts given last few weeks, including custodial staff and athletic staff (neck fans)
- c. Bus drivers will be given HCA shirts thanks to Scottie
- d. Wings and veggies will be given to the teachers
- e. Budget: 1st event was way under (\$250), this event is coming in right around budget at \$1000.
- f. November: World Kindness Day: teachers will be given Kind bars in mailboxes, along with something to put on their lanyards (likely under budget)
- g. So far, \$2,558 has been spent. Still have \$9942 budgeted for the rest of the year.

2. Room Parent Coordinator

- a. We only lack 4 room moms, but those will be filled soon. First door decorating event will happen next week: space theme. Teacher wish lists have been gathered and advertised. Birthdays have also been gathered so we can help make them feel special. All existing room moms should have been contacted by now, however some report not getting the emails. We'll verify everyone is getting correspondence from Carling.

3. Bookfair

- a. Starts tomorrow online, Nov 6th teacher preview, then through the 14th for kids
- b. Treat will go to teachers on preview day
- c. Activity will go to kids during shopping time when they're finished or not shopping
- d. Online: flyers went home with kids. Option to make an online wishlist.
- e. Teacher preview: 11/6
- f. Will open for business during Goodies with Grands on 11/7
- g. Sign-up Genius will be going out for volunteers. Parents will be encouraged to shop with their kids.
- h. There will be a day or two after school when the bookfair is open for the homeschool community.

4. Sunshine Cart

- a. Today was our 2nd time doing Sunshine cart. First time was for the lower level, today was for the upper level. Everyone was very appreciative. They dressed up as witches and gave out candy. Only issue: we didn't receive any more donations (need Frappuccino, protein bars, meat bars)

5. Social Media

- a. Posting needs to happen on a schedule. Jamie schedules things on Sunday for the week. Beth and/or Liz need to approve posts BEFORE going to Jamie. Please send things to Beth and/or Liz by Friday for the following week. Then Amy-Lynn will post the flyers to the website and Staci will put them in the newsletter.

6. Website

- a. Parent Resources tab added: Teacher favorites are now listed, as well as Sunshine cart donations
- b. Volunteer tab added: volunteer info (district approval and sign-ups)
- c. School Improvement tab: businesses or individuals who want to sponsor tables and/or benches can go on there for that opportunity. Plaques will be added to sponsored items.
- d. Goal is to make it a one-stop shop

Principal's Report:

- 1. Middle Schoolers want a dance! And they want to dress up!
- 2. Our middle school band will be playing at the Bartram Trail HS football game tomorrow. Go support!
- 3. Fruit Cove Baptist Church has been a great partner.
- 4. Picture day went unbelievably smooth!
- 5. Gained 2 more teachers for Middle School! We're growing quickly!
- 6. Testing went very smoothly.
- 7. Parents have been such a huge support and help. We are a very volunteer friendly school. Spirit Friday was such a great day!! Set such a positive tone for the day.
- 8. Playgrounds are fixed and working for the kids.
- 9. Teacher of the Year: Elementary, Middle, Overall, Rookie, School Related Employee of the year. Event was so fun and everyone was so appreciative.
- 10. Money is coming in now from spirit wear, YMCA, and school supply boxes
- 11. Kids and teachers seem to be happy! Props for having a great community!
- 12. Trunk or Treat is likely to be much bigger than we think.
- 13. Character Day parade: like a big tailgate party. Families invited and they don't have to be approved through the district. Oct. 31st in the morning. Middle schoolers can wear onesies.

Upcoming calendar items:

- 1. 10/17: Trunk or Treat
- 2. 10/21: Boosterthon kick-off
- 3. 10/30: Fun Run K-5, Color Run MS

4. 10/31: Character Day parade
5. 11/7: Goodies with Grands
6. 11/7-11/14: Bookfair
7. 11/13: PTO Meeting

Guest Speaker: Scottie Ryder

1. 350 shirts just put on the website (Nike dry-fits). 25% goes to school, 25% goes to PTO. Thank you! Deal is only good through October.
2. Right now there's a 10-day turnaround for orders
3. Abundance of PE clothes from exchanges that happened
4. Conversation will happen about possibly having shirts at events for people to purchase

Action Item:

1. Order the benches

Adjourned: 7:39pm. Christina motioned, Amy-Lynn seconded.

Signed:

Carly Geddes, HCA PTO Secretary