

FCE PTO  
Meeting Minutes  
September 13, 2021

Treasurer's Report:

- We exceeded our goal on our *Membership Drive!*
- We are on track to reach our Merch Goal!
- We haven't bought kid's FREE t-shirts yet. Kristina Howard will order these.
- The QR on our Square has expired but we have a new one and it will be on the next Newsletter.

Old Business:

- *Fall Carnival* moved to April 1st due to the COVID numbers in Knox County. Amber prepared a sponsor sheet where parents/volunteers can get a business to sponsor a particular thing at the carnival, like Bounce House, Dunking Booth and Water Station. We now have more time to get the carnival organized and get sponsors. We ideally need six sponsors. We will get the sponsorship approved by Mrs. Langston and get the form printed up and get out to PTO members soon.
- With carnival being moved the *Pepcat Prowl* will now be its own entity. In the past years these were held around the same time. We will discuss more at our October meeting.
- Grandfriends Day is moved to spring. The new day is TBD. We would like to raise \$900 for the pictures we take that day. We are looking for a new photographer for that day.
- *Dine Out for Dollars*. We are looking for some businesses and also looking for PTO members to contact a few restaurants to see if they would like to donate a night to us. Mr Angel and Cheyenne mentioned McDonalds. Salritias was also mentioned.
- Walk to School day. It is on hold for now.
- *Fence Signs* are \$200. We make \$150 off that. Amber asked members if they know a business that would like to buy a fence sign from us that they can pay directly on the Square. Lauren Wilson manages our signs for us,

New Business:

- *Ham N Goodys Thanksgiving Fundraiser*. We will start selling Nov 1st and sell through to 15th but it's TBD in our October meeting.
- *Pepcat Merchandise Marketing*. We have kid's long sleeve shirts, kid's hoodies, and earrings now! A flyer will go out soon about those. We will have long sleeve socks, too.
- *Grounds Day*. Vote on 2 weeks before fall break. October 2nd and alternative date of 23rd for rain day. We would like to have Adopt-A-Bed for maintenance of the beds this year. We will discuss that later, too.
- *Thank-A-Teacher* Budget is \$650. Other schools had a Food Truck come. Last year we called these events Monthly Motivators. This year we are calling them Pepcat Pick-Me-Up. With our *Pepcat Pick-Me-Up* a PTO member/parent can choose a month they want to donate food and or drink to our teachers and administrators.
- We also want to kick start a *Fountain Drink Friday*. It will be a Food/Drink Cart to take around to each classroom sorta like Room Service. Amber said she and Lori hope to give it a trial run next week. Budget is \$100/month.

- *Read-A-Thon* we are trying to find a time in the fall for this. We will discuss this more at the October meeting.
- *Newsletter* We hope to send out once a month. Our members could write a blurb on the news letter and or give us a pic to post to the Newsletter.
- *Yearbook* We would like pics of our kids.

Principal's Report:

Mr. Angel was thankful for the funds the teachers got at the beginning of the school year to help set up their classrooms. He said the bins down at the playgrounds are broken and there isn't enough stuff in there now. Need more kick balls and basketballs. He also said we will need to replace a few of our playground things soon. He got a quote from a couple different companies and they are \$60K plus. In particular, the Big Kids playground said the slide is getting cracks.