

Ames PTA

August 24, 2017 Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order- 8:32am.
- II. Approve Minutes from May 19, 2017
 - a. 1st motion- Elizabeth Kos
 - b. 2nd motion- Kim Marrero
 - c. All in favor, none opposed
- III. Officer Reports
 1. President
 - a. Intro of new board members to the group
 - b. Membership Drive- new this year: Deluxe membership (includes yard sign and 2 car magnets)
 - c. Yearbooks—some still need to pick up their copy of last year's yearbook. Contact Dawn Eagleson to arrange pick up. Also, we are looking to start a yearbook committee to help with layout and format. Hopefully get orders earlier in the year, and help to purchase one for each student. Open to suggestions.
 - d. PTA meetings will be alternating am and pm meetings. This will hopefully give working parents the opportunity to join the meetings more frequently.
 2. VP Fundraising and Events
 - a. We will continue to be able to use Amazon Smile- (AFAMES) fundraiser for our school
 - b. Spirit Wear- Sales will continue until September. Spirit days will be 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month and we will continue to reward each class with most participation the trophy to keep for 2 weeks.
 - c. Book Fair- VOLUNTEERS still needed. Will be held in the gym/cafeteria this year on stage. Logistics still being worked out.
 - d. Charleston Gift Wrap will be Sept 13- Oct 6
 - e. Family Movie night will be Sept. 21 at 6:30 during our evening PTA meeting.
 - f. Box Tops will still be collected. Please cut them out and place in a Ziploc and send with child to school
 - g. More fundraising events will be announced as the year progresses...stay tuned!
 3. VP Hospitality
 - a. "Meet the Parents" socials will take place once a week starting Sept 28 for Kindergarten parents. This is an adult only social at **34 East Lounge** in Riverside. Each week, a different grade level will be represented. It's a great way to meet and connect with other parents of children in same grades. Please check the PTA website for more info.
 4. VP Cultural Arts and Educational Programs
 - a. Flavio has secured a cool DJ for back to school assembly.
 - b. He has secured some other items for Halloween assembly, Historical Perspectives unit, and will work on Artist in Residence.

- c. Flavio is looking for someone to take over for him next year. They can shadow him this year to get the feel for the position.
- 5. VP In School Volunteers
 - a. Room Reps- a request will go out from Mr. Gierman within the next few weeks.
 - b. Library Volunteers- a sign up will be available for readers k-2 and general volunteers 3-5.
 - c. Don't forget to fill out a D96 Volunteer Information Form and Waiver of Liability.
- 6. Secretary-
 - a. I will be sending out Membership cards with Ames directories via oldest child's classroom teacher
- 7. Treasurer
 - a. Approve budget for the upcoming year
 - 1. Elizabeth Kos
 - 2. Karen Nishimura
 - b. Any questions- no.
- IV. Guests- Mr. Todd Gierman and Supt. Martha Ryan-Toye
 - 1. Addressed the house next door. Looks like maybe spring or summer demo, but details still being worked out.
 - 2. Several new teachers to Ames-
 - 3. New furniture to Ames. Desks in Mr. Wydra and Ms. Whaley's rooms.
 - 4. Lunchroom/Gym logistics are still getting tweaked, but we will make it work.
 - 5. After School programs will again be offered. Check emails and folders soon to see what is being offered at Ames.
- V. New Business- none
- VI. Adjourn 9:40

In attendance: Dawn Eagleson, Domenica Jimenez, Patty Romero, Flavio Gonzalez, , Kelly Tabb, Maricza Valdez, Katie Kowal, Gina Benes, Kris McCormack, Emilia Kowalski, Karen Nishimura, Julia Lembke, Lora Gardiner, Pina Ritacca, Maria Munch, Deanna Melvin, Janice McClintock, Scott McClintock, Tia Sherman, Kim Marrero, Toya Martin, Elizabeth Kos, Christine Long,