

F.O.R. Kids  
Parent Teacher Organization Meeting Minutes  
August 15, 2017

Attendance:

(3) Carrie Rydzewski, Ashley Sevener, Sara Harbison

**Student Directory:** Ashley volunteered to organize the student directory for this year. It was agreed that we write up a ½ sheet flyer to distribute to each student at the Back to School BBQ which would give families the option of completing the directory information online (preferred) or by returning the included form. An option for next year was discussed, proposing that we might be able to get a checkbox added to student's registration form indicating if they would agree to have their contact information shared with the PTO's student directory. This was suggested because we don't get a very strong response to the student directory form, approximately 50% of the families complete them, so it is by no means a complete directory.

**Color Run:** Carrie informed the group that our Color Run leaders (Tracy Schoneman and Ann Averill) have decided not to organize the Color Run this year, but both have agreed to consult with any new organizers that volunteer. We determined that Carrie will post a request on Facebook to see if anyone is interested in taking over the event, with the note that the event does not have to be in September like in previous years. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

**New Ideas for F.O.R. Kids:**

Lockdown – It was suggested that perhaps we could organize a lockdown either at school or at Skateland. This might be a fun new way to raise some money and give the kids a fun activity. Ideally there would be 2 events, one for elementary and one for middle school. Ashley will contact Skateland and pass along information to the group.

School T-Shirts: It was suggested to come up with school t-shirts listing the school name and a drawing/logo on the front and on the back would be a list of kids by grade or class. This might be a fun way to increase school pride. Sara will follow up on this and pass along information to the group. Perhaps we can work with the screen printing class in the high school.

Principal for a Day: It was suggested that we sell raffle tickets to elementary students for \$1 each and the winner gets to be Principal for a Day. In return, the Principal has to be the student and sit in the kid's desk and do the kid's schoolwork. The lucky winner gets to sit at the Principal's desk and read any announcements, walk the hallways, wears a special "Principal" hat or shirt. Of course, in important situations, the Principal can be called on to perform the necessary duties. This can be further discussed at our next meeting.

School Store: It was suggested that we open a school store to sell notebooks, pencils, erasers, etc to elementary and middle school students. This would be run by students and open to students during study hall or before and after school. Perhaps this could be done in conjunction with any financial/accounting classes that the middle school students might have. Carrie will follow up on this and discuss at the next meeting.

Cow Pie Bingo: It was suggested that we organize a Cow Pie Bingo. We would section off a grassy lot into 3 x 3 foot parcels. We sell "deeds" to these parcels for \$10. Then on the designated day, we release a cow into the lot and see where she deposits her "calling card". If you are the lucky winner, you win a pre-determined cash prize. Holly will follow up on this, and we will further discuss at our next meeting.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 19 (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday) at 6:30pm at Lakeview Community Library.

Respectfully Submitted by Carrie Rydzewski