

FLORIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA
General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 10, 2018

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- I. Welcome - this General Membership meeting of the Floris Elementary School PTA was called to order by President Aparna Vemuru at 6:08 p.m.
- II. The Agenda for this evening's meeting was presented by Recording Secretary Kathy Webb.
- III. Report by Floris Elementary School Principal, Gail Porter
 - a. The school has up to 786 students now.
 - b. Energy Zone Salad Bar to be introduced on February 7; there is a special deal for teachers. Kids will be able to load up their trays for the same price as a regular entree.
 - c. Floris School is focusing more on Portrait of a Graduate
- IV. Treasurer's update - Haresh Bhatia
 - a. Good news: due to the efforts of Treasurer Haresh Bhatia and President Aparna Vemuru and many phone calls to the Floris PTA's case manager, the IRS penalty has been waived.
 - b. Financials - as of 1/8/2018 we are up to \$30,00 on the income side. Approx. \$11,000 has been raised through Friends of Floris, the rest has come from Before and After School Enrichment programs. We have has \$8,200 in expenses. We haven't paid the big expenses for Math Enrichment yet. The Fall Ball cost \$1,100.
 - c. Teacher start-up checks are being paid out; Quickbooks have been updated. Financially the Floris PTA is very stable.
- V. VP for School Affairs - Srinivas Kotla
 - a. Eight teams have registered for Odyssey of the Mind.
 - b. The Chess tournament originally scheduled for 1/27/2018 has been cancelled due to a conflict.
 - c. Science Fair Registration is open. This year's Science Fair will be on Thursday, Feb. 22.
 - d. Math enrichment registration is done. Classes end on March 8.
- VI. Before and After School Activities - VP of Community Affairs - Fatima Akhtar
 - a. StemExcel classes started yesterday.
 - b. We have added after school Sports to the Winter schedule. Flyers went out this week and will start in a couple of weeks.
 - c. Young Rembrandts starts next week, January 17.
- VII. Vice President for School Services and Outreach - Nicole Leon-Guerrero

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- a. Crock pot luncheon on Jan. 26 - we need volunteers to sign up on Sign-Up Genius.
- b. Movie night scheduled for February 15 - the 6th grade teachers and students are running it.
- c. Bingo Night - March 16 - 6:00 to 8:00. Teachers call the numbers. Lots of fun!
- d. Big event - International Family Fun Night. This is a huge undertaking; we need at least three people willing to Chair. Tentatively scheduled for April 20. If we don't get the volunteers we need this event will have to be cancelled again. This event requires a lot of coordination with vendors, need to find kid-friendly and culturally representative food. Someone leads crafts, another person leads dance or fashion demonstrations. Aparna has already reached out to dance groups and martial arts demonstration teams (Irish, Chinese, African, Indian).
- e. Spirit Night in May - TBD
- f. Ice Cream Social in June

VIII. Update by Communications Secretary, Michele Hyde

Online website for registration is up and running. We're using Facebook, Social Networking, Twitter to advertise events and get announcements out.

IX. President's Update - Aparna Vemuru

- a.) Friends of Floris is still open.
- b.) Nominating committee - we need to put together a list of interested candidates for the Board for next school year. Most important we need a President for next year. Elections for the new Board are scheduled to be held at the May membership meeting.
- c.) We need two chairs for the Nominating committee
- d.) Question posed about meetings starting at 6:00 p.m. For most parents 6:30 or 7:00 would work better.
- e.) We need an Audit Committee to do this summer's audit for the IRS reporting period June 2017 through May 2018.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.