

# Challenger Elementary PTO Agenda

## Meeting Date and Time:

Thursday, September 29, 2016  
4:30pm

- I. Call meeting to order (Introduction of PTO Board Members)  
**Meeting called to order: 4:35pm**  
*In attendance: Char Purdy & Lisa Schultz (Co-Presidents), Yvonne Clark (Treasurer), Beverly Sidorski (Secretary), David Cherry, Brad Northrop, Rosemary Bissell, Abby Aldred, Jodi Limbers, Nicole Stropkai, Diana Brown, Kacey Romeo, Erin Stover, Kim Sallan, Michelle Walbolt*
- II. Approval of last meeting minutes (May 2016)  
*Jodi Limbers motion to approve, Kacey Romeo second the motion.*
- III. Treasurer's Report/Budget Review
  - *Marco's Pizza night - \$228.00 received from sales. Mrs. Byrd's 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade class had the most orders. They will receive a pizza party!*
  - *Bonkers Night - \$66.75 received from sales. We receive 20% back on profits.*
  - *New category created for "Postage & General Office Supplies".*
- IV. Principal's Report (*David Cherry*)
  - *Busy start to the year.*
  - *Open House, Circle Ceremony (first Friday of school year) – went great.*
  - *Beginning of year testing underway*
  - *A lot of district happenings*
  - *Homecoming week – only 3 spirit days*
    - *Homecoming Parade – there will be some 5<sup>th</sup> graders walking in parade*
  - *Friday (9/30/16) – Lock down drill*
  - *2016-2017 Theme – "Helping Hands"*
    - *Title 1 nights*
    - *Students helping others*
    - *5<sup>th</sup> graders putting up positive notes on board (along 5<sup>th</sup> grade hallway). Notes can be removed and given to others, plan is to continue for entire year!*
  - *October 14, 2016 – ½ day, dismissal time is 11:55am*
  - *Playground Update – goal to fundraise (Principal's funds, district funds and PTO funds), hoping for summer push of new equipment.*
  - *Requesting funds from PTO for jump rope assembly.*

- *Jump Rope All-Stars on October 28, 2016 (local professional jump ropers)*

V. **Teachers' Report** (*Ms. Bissell, Mr. Northrop, Ms. Aldred*)

- *Best beginning of the year EVER!*
- *New computer lab*
- *New dismissal routine is working out*
- *Updates from the passage of the Tech bond*
  - *New light speed in classes – sound system works well.*
  - *New WiFi system*
  - *New cables/wiring (inside the walls)*
  - *Upcoming items will be things you can see in the open (TV's, etc...)*

New Business:

- **Spirit Sticks** (*Jodi Limbers*)
  - *Kindergarten sticks are all together "I ♥ my school"*
  - *Packets for new students are complete*
  - *Mr. Cherry to pick between "Principal's Award" or "Student of the Month"*
  - *"I'm a Helper" stick to go along with this year's school theme "Helping Hands"*
  - *Will have Box Top sticks*
  - *Halloween sticks from previous year – will offer to BK-1<sup>st</sup> to purchase*
  - *Idea: buy 100-200 sticks for teachers to handout for rewards.*
- **Box Tops** (*Erin Stover*)
  - *Top Class will receive spirit sticks*
  - *Winning collector to have lunch with Mr. Cherry, will be allowed to bring a friend along.*
  - *1<sup>st</sup> half of the year collection, first 2 weeks of October.*
  - *2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year collection – teacher vs. teacher competition.*
  - *There is a new Box Tops App*
    - *Take a picture of receipt (earns extra points)*
    - *Still need to cut Box Tops off of boxes to get more points*
    - *See our FB page for more information and instructions*
- **Fall Fundraiser – Opt-Out Campaign** (*September 12-30, 2016*)
  - *Due September 30, 2016*
- **Fall Fundraiser catalog orders DUE** – *October 10, 2016*
  - *Do not sell door to door*
  - *Online orders accepted*
  - *Order forms AND money due 10/10/16*
  - *Usually a 2-3 week turnaround = mid-November*
- **Pastries with Parents** (*Grades BK-2*) – *Thursday, October 6, 2016*
  - *Need volunteers*

- *Kids must be accompanied by an adult.*
- Pastries with Parents (Grades 3-5) – Thursday, October 13, 2016
  - *Need volunteers*
  - *Kids must be accompanied by an adult.*
- Halloween Costume Sale – Friday, October 14, 2016
  - *Hours of sale 12:15-1:15pm and 5:00-6:00pm*
  - *Sale will take place in Room 110*
  - **\*\*\*ROOM CHANGE\*\*\* Room 136**
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- Buffalo Wild Wings Night (BWW) Celebrity Servers – Tuesday, October 18, 2016
  - *Mr. Cherry will ask for teacher volunteers*
  - *Timeframe 4:30-7:00pm. Will verify time*
- Popcorn Friday – October 21, 2016
  - *Michelle Walbolt has graciously volunteered to lead all popcorn days.*
  - *Asking students for any donation amount. Regardless of donation or not, ALL students will receive a bag of popcorn.*
- Trunk N Treat – Friday, October 28, 2016
  - *Beverly Sidorski spoke in Jeanine Spencer's (Chairperson) absence*
  - *Samantha McCray has volunteered to be in charge of fundraising*
  - *We have 10 high school students from Jr. ROTC and NHS*
  - *Still are in need of parent volunteers – see SignUp Genius on our FB page*
  - *We have 12 trunks, need more!*
  - *Raffle Baskets (PTO in charge)*
    - *Will have a sign-up sheet in the teacher's lounge for each grade-level theme.*
    - *Will have flyer go home to parents asking for donations to fill baskets*
    - *Mr. Cherry's Music Concert baskets – 4 front row seats and VIP parking for each grade level music concert*
- Parent/Teacher Conferences – November 10 & 16, 2016
  - *Lisa Schultz and Char Purdy to chair*
  - *Catered and potluck meal*
  - *Will ask for parent volunteers for potluck*
- Purchase of Wall Unit for PTO handouts/flyers (to match what is currently there).
  - *\$67(+/-) – to match the existing wall unit (by PTO bulletin board, across from the main office)*
  - *Somewhere to put flyers and PTO related information*
  - *Jodi Limbers motion to approve, Michelle Walbolt second the motion.*

**Additional Topics:**

- *Communication – trying to better streamline information to parents*

- *Looking at different apps (ie. Simply Circle)*

**Meeting called to end: 5:33pm**

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