



Lorton Station

School and Home Partnership

Minutes and Notes
December 1, 2015

Principal's Update

- Staff loved the cupcakes, amazing what a cupcake can do...especially from Georgetown Cupcakes.
- Recognize the students who placed first out of 27 teams for project to reduce environmental impact by excessive waste...Mrs. Shire was parent sponsor...kids placed 6th in robotics games.
- Cafeteria is looking to see how to better manage waste...LCAC is going to use the milk not used.
- 5 pilot schools in different regions to test out salad bars....Contact Mr. Rodney Taylor. Our cafeteria uses prepared food made at South County High School.
- Need books from upper grades for Recycled Reading Program. Kids are trading in lower level grades for upper level grade books so always need them.
- Getting ready to roll out another recycled reading...14th and 15th. Plan to track students to swap up to 5 books. Hayfield will take this project on in the Spring....
- Winter break in a few weeks...Happy Cyber Monday greeting from the younger kids

Vice-Principal Mr. Shamarlas Allen was present.

- Cudos to new librarians...11,000 books circulated through this library. Lorton Station is leading book circulating.
- Veterans day with veterans. Posters now hanging in Ft. Belvoir...by Ms. Santiago.

Finance Report

- Tax extension filed. School store is up and running.

Before/After School Programs

- Planning a Family Zumba class for the Spring.
- Chess club is up and running...soon will open up date for Spring.
- Math Club until march 12...took first Olympiad test..17 members..ordering tee shirts
- ODM has three teams represented..competition is March. Grant for a robotics club maybe written by a members child.

Fundraising Report

- We are listed in the CFC catalog on page 24 (Catalog of Caring) We have not done application yet but will be ready for 2016.
- Box tops to done in December. Flyer out on Tuesday with deadline Tuesday 12/18/15 Looking for check from Staples re: recycled ink.

- Ms. Jackson brought up that we have never seen a check from Target. Once a year target is suppose to send a check, parents have been asking about this...percentage of purchase to be donated to school.
- We are on Amazon Smile...SHP website has all the stores
- Yearbooks, 31 orders on line and 42 manual totaling 73. There is an option for donating yearbooks. Ms. Butters 4th grade teacher does the yearbook layout.
- Movie nights...Home vs. Inside out..Home for February...Minion movie in March....Goosebumps in May
- Ice cream Dine around on 1st of June, Zumba on 3rd June.
- Dine arounds ...flyers on Tue folder on 8th....go home with stickers after getting student count Chic Fila off of Backlick Rd. in Springfield.
- McDonalds finally emailed back trying for December ...Tutti Frutti June 1....
- School store is popular...should break even shortly. Helpful to kids.
- Glory Days restaurant can be added
- Morning announcements to announce Chic Fila. Spirit Night
- Book fair...Barnes and Nobles must happen by December 18th....parents should send back wish lists. Crafts, face painting paint etc. be provided by Barns and Noble...not for the raffle. Scavenger hunt...purple sticker id's donation by purchaser.
- Proposed to have Barnes and Noble Book Fair happen in fall, Scholastic Book Fair happens in Spring. However, Fall has already been scheduled for next year's Scholastic Book fair so it can coincide with Veteran's Day Luncheon. Kids like to show up when teachers attend also.

Open Discussion

- Music week next week 8th, 9th and 10th....volunteers for donation collections. John Sumrell for Tuesday.
- Strategies lab 45 min per week in critical thinking and problem solving...Title I funds has allowed expansion or lab and possibly a steam lab. Experimental
- Auction for bake goods.
- Schedule school basketball game.
- \$300.00 donated by SHP for scholastic book sale..for the Recycled Reading Program. Motioned and seconded.

Action items

- Spirit night December 15...see sign up genius
- Petra Sharrett will do sign up genius for three concerts and book fair at Barnes and Noble.
- Next meeting on **January 5, 2016.**