Forest Park Elementary PTA Tuesday, April 2, 2024 Forest Park Cafeteria

2023-2024 PTA Executive Board:

Courtney Black- President Madeline Moore - President-Elect Erin Long – Treasurer Lacey Watts - Treasurer-Elect (absent) Anna Shelley – Secretary (absent) Mollie Campbell – Education (absent) Sarah Duke - Buildings and Grounds (absent) Grace Fleeman – Outreach (absent) Kami Coleman- Communications Julianna Garner- Hospitality Sydney Ross- Welcoming

Approval of the Minutes, Kami Coleman (in place of Anna Shelley, Secretary – absent):

Kami Coleman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the previous monthly PTA meeting, held February 6, 2024. Madeline Moore made the motion. Erin Long seconded the motion. All approved, motion passed.

New Business, Courtney Black:

- Parties in the Park a success, still selling some parties online, spread the word! The Scholastic Book Fair was a success, and we were able to purchase books for our Outreach children and our faculty.
- The Nominating Committee met to slate officers for the 2024-2025 year presidentelect is Callie Gutierrez; treasurer-elect is Jaimie Moss, and secretary is Ashley Jackson. We need to approve the slate, and Madeline Moore passed out ballots to approve the selection- they were collected and turned into Courtney Black to tally. The new slate passes.

• Incoming PTA Board – Madeline Moore is working on her team for next year, and there are a lot of opportunities to be involved. Reach out to her if you know of anyone who would like to participate in PTA opportunities. Her goal is to be inclusive and offer an opportunity for all interested to be involved. Grace Hartmann Isaac will serve as an Inclusivity Chair. If there is any interest in serving in a garden or foreign language capacity, let Madeline know. She has job descriptions for these positions (we will include them in a future e-blast).

• Spirit Shop – new T–shirts are coming in soon. We will have a sale this spring to sell items that we still have in stock. A Pass the Plaid sale is scheduled for this Thursday after school.

• Bike to School Day is coming up in May. Shirt forms are due today. Granola bar donations- bin outside the front office to drop off donations.

- The yearbook (with a Toy Story theme) has been submitted by Jenn Moquin and will be available by the end of May. We will have a yearbook signing day last week of school.
- Roots Garden garden classes were held last month. We would like to gift Heather Amaro something for her help with the kids this year. She'll be back April 22-25 for more garden classes to coincide with Earth Day.
- Submit VIPS hours / Katy Frizzell is working on those.

Principal's Report, Principal Teresa Ketcher:

Principal Ketcher shared a certificate congratulating our school on our yearbook (Jenn Moquin headed this effort). 3rd-5th Grades are taking tests this week. The PTA purchased Atlas books for 4th Grade to practice, 3rd Grade has books to practice, and 5th grade pulling exemplar online to practice for testing. MAP testing starts April 15th for Grades K-2nd. Testing makeups will be held the first week in May.

Treasurer, Erin Long:

Parties in the Park made 18% more than last year; expenses were up due to venue costs. The Spirit Shop is making money, but expenses are also up. Overall, we are on par compared to last year, and doing well.

Welcoming, Sydney Ross:

Pre-K and Kindergarten slots are full for the 2024-2025 school year. We are still conducting tours for prospective students. Our tentative date for the Ranger Roundup is May 10th.

Education, Courtney Black (on behalf of Mollie Campbell):

The solar eclipse information went out in this week's e-blast, and flyers will go out in backpacks this week. Saracen donated eclipse glasses for all students in our school. Also, all of the extracurricular clubs and activities have been doing well.

Hospitality, Julianna Garner:

Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week will be held the last week of April, and we plan to provide lunch each day for teachers along with gift cards to be given at the end of the week. Classes will possibly adopt staff members so they can be recognized as well. More information to come from room moms.

Courtney Black adjourned the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Minutes Submitted by: Kami Coleman, PTA Communications Chair (on behalf of Anna Shelley, Secretary)