

Robert Frost PTSA Meeting

09/13/2016, 7 pm

Attendees: Cheryl Miller, Feng Yan (Ruth) Chang, Lisa Lin, Flor Clark, Douglass Clark, Sarah Cook, Kathy Lomotan, Celeste Neslon, George Sellers, Vidya Thirumalai, Lisa Denison

Membership Drive

There are currently 146 members. The plan is to increase our membership this year. Cheryl had talked to Dr. Jones about doing a robo-call about signing up for PTA.

Back to School night

Mr. Johnson provided an update on Back to school night. There was great participation - about 600 people attended, the parents were happy and there was great feedback. He thanked the staff at Frost.

Spirit wear

PTSA sold about 80 spirit wear shirts during the Back to school night. That is about 80 out of 400 shirts ordered. PTSA is looking for volunteers to come during lunch to sell more spirit wear.

Sixth grade Welcome Social

6th grade welcome social will be held during October – may be on homework free night, or Friday evenings. Mr. Johnson was going to check on ICB to find out if a Friday evening can be reserved.

“We too sing America” – Speaker

Deepa Iyer, author of “We too sing America” was at Frost on a professional development day, talking to the staff about making other cultures feel welcome in their classrooms. Frost has the highest Asian American population in this area. Mr. Johnson requested \$250 from the PTSA to send a gift (honorary donation) for Deepa Iyer. With the membership fees still coming in, it was decided to wait until mid-October to decide on if the \$250 request can be fit in the budget.

MCPS Volunteer Training requirements

George talked about the new requirements for volunteers. All volunteers who regularly support schools and students and those who attend field trips must complete the Child Abuse and Neglect volunteer training. This training requirement also applies to volunteers who regularly support school-sponsored activities (Montgomery County Board of Education Policy JHC, Child Abuse and Neglect). The training is available online on the Child Abuse and Neglect webpage (www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/childabuseandneglect). Outdoor ed and field trip volunteers will also

need to have background checks completed. A full FAQ can be found at <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/uploadedFiles/childabuseandneglect/160902-ChildAbuse-Volunteer-FAQs.pdf>

Eagle Run / Frostival

There was some discussion about Eagle Run/Frostival in the spring. The plan is to expand Eagle run into a family fun day for all Frost families.

Minutes recorded by Vidya Thirumalai, PTSA Secretary