

Sugar Hill Elementary



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The vision for the Sugar Hill Elementary PTA Board is
"To Partner with Teachers to Build a Community and Enrich the Education of our Students"

Sugar Hill Elementary PTA Board Meeting
Friday, October 12, 2018 10:00am
Location: PLL Room
Minutes

Call to Order

Jill Arendell called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Roll Call

Board members in attendance are Jill Arendell, Amanda Melancon, Kate Kelly, Kim Young and Alaina Jones. Dr. Connery was also present. A quorum was not met but no voting needs to take place.

Approval of Minutes

Alaina Jones presented the minutes of the meeting from September 7th 10, 2018 for approval. The minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurers Report

Current bank account balance is \$31,002.22. Total income for September was \$18,655.99. Total expenses for the month were \$1,457.08.

\$1,450 in donations from the Giving Tree were dispersed to teachers last month. There is a new distribution process than last year. This year the money is going straight to teacher's and they are elated to receive the money for their classroom needs. This is a great way to make a tax-deductible donation. Minimum donation is \$50 and an excellent way to make sure 100% of your donation goes to the school.

Visit from Administrator

Dr. Connery stopped by and welcomed everyone to the school. It has been an exciting school year so far and she loves the fresh, new ideas of the new PTA Executive Board. She appreciates the hard work.

Sugar Hill Elementary recently received an outstanding accolade – out of (83) Elementary Schools in Gwinnett County we are ranked **#2!!** This could not happen without the support of PTA, Parents and Staff!

Committee Chair Updates

Box Tops – Amanda Melancon

Pizza Party Box Top contest ends today. We currently have over 5,000 box tops that have been turned in which equates to \$500! This contest has sparked some great competition among the school and is helping raise money to be used for technology and teacher's requests.

Yearbooks – Shelley Kersey

(68) additional yearbooks were sold last month. Of the (41) 5th grade ads available – there are currently (9) left. The theme of this year's yearbook will be space/focus on starts. Mrs. Hong is currently working on the back cover and Shelley did a mockup of the front cover.

If you have high quality pictures that you have taken at school events, please forward them on to sugarhillyearbookpictures@gmail.com.

Longhorn Family Fun Night – Christine Godfrey

Our next Longhorn Family Fun Night is scheduled for Wednesday, October 24th at Chipotle on Lawrenceville Suwanee Rd. The event is from 4-8pm and you must bring a copy of the flyer and show the staff or tell them you are with Sugar Hill Elementary in order for us to receive credit. We must hit \$300 in sales before we can receive any money back and after that we get 33.3%. Invite friends, family, neighbors, etc. for this fun night!

Teacher Appreciation Lunch

There is a PTA Grab-N-Go Lunch for teachers on October 24th. Staff will be able to drop by and pick up Chick-Fil-A. All volunteer needs are met and the teachers are excited for the event.

Old Business

Recap of Backyard Bingo

There were some changes to Backyard Bingo this year that hurt our profit slightly. The admission price was reduced from \$15 to \$10 but it did not increase attendance. It was still extremely successful but we were about \$2,000 shy of what we made last year. Having the event so close to the beginning of school may have also been a reason for lower participation.

Next year the event will be simplified and will be moved to March. Only pizza will be offered and families will be able to bring their own food. Our big fundraiser will be in the fall and will be our Fun Run.

New Business

Update on Boosterthon/Laps for Longhorns Fun Run

Expect to see daily correspondences regarding Boosterthon in your child's folder and on our social media pages. If you see the posts, like and comment so we can get more visibility on them.

The event will be held October 18th and will be outside this year. Backup plan is the gym if there is inclement weather. There will be (2) courses outside – (1) grade level on each course. Students will run 30-35 laps.

Times will be as follows:

- 8:30 – 9:20 – 4th and 5th Grades
- 9:30 – 10:20 – Kindergarten and 2nd Grades
- 10:30 – 11:20 – 1st and 3rd Grades

A SignUp Genius was sent out looking for volunteers at the water table and to mark laps on the day of the event. If you did not receive it and want to help, please let a board member know. You can bring smaller children with you but they may not participate on the course.

Talent Show Needs

The Talent Show is a new event this year and is scheduled for February 1st. We are still currently looking for a venue – the board will be speaking with Lanier High. If you know of a place that may let us hold the event for free, please let us know. There will be a meeting in November to nail down some of the details so be on the lookout for that date.

Recent Donations to Sugar Hill ES

1. Chromebooks for School – 63.85

- a. There was \$950 left from the Longhorn Legacy Tree (currently the Giving Tree) from the previous school year so the board voted to spend additional money to purchase another Chromebook. Moving towards online testing and every Chromebook purchased will help this initiative.

2. 3rd Grade - \$1,700

- a. (1) Digital IXL license for Math and Language Arts. This will be used for the entire 3rd Grade. Will come out of their budget and not technology.

3. Resource – \$343.71

- a. (28) vocabulary workbooks and (1) test workbook. These workbooks help build crucial vocabulary skills (prefixes, suffixes, etc.) using fiction and non-fiction passages.

Upcoming Events

October 18th – Laps for Longhorns

October 24th – Longhorn Family Fun Night – Chipotle 4 to 8pm. See flyer in Friday folders.

The meeting was adjourned at 11 a.m.

Submitted By,

Alaina Jones
Sugar Hill PTA Secretary