

**Friends of Pulaski
Board of Directors Meeting
October 15, 2014**

The Board meeting was called to order by the President at 7:42 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Scott Suckow
Ms. Debbie Gibbons
Mr. James Sowka
Mr. Bob Fox
Mr. David Benson

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Ms. Laura Stein

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2014 Board Meeting by James Sowka and seconded by Debbie Gibbons. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAIR REPORTS

• **PRESIDENT**

- LSC – There was no meeting and is no update at this time.
- Website Issues fixed by Ben Stein.
- Technology Upgrades –
 - Chromebooks now in use (2nd grade)
 - Document cameras now in use (all)
 - iPads will arrive this week (K and 1st)
 - Finished under budget!
- \$500 gift from BCO towards document cameras for 3rd grade.
- BCO Education Forum – good event at Burr; may be Pulaski can host next year
- Meeting with Dr. Bedard –
- Golden Apple Teacher Awards
 - Focusing on PreK-3
 - Nominations due 1/5/15

• **TREASURER**

- Reviewed current financials.
- P&L total income \$62K

- \$35K donated to the school so far for technology upgrades this year

- **OUTREACH**

- Recent
 - Chili Cookoff/Couples Saber Social 10/11
 - 12 Competitors
 - Fun and well attended
 - Raised \$560
 - Mom's Saber Social, 9/25 at Red and White Wines
 - Wicker Park Farmer's Market.
- Upcoming
 - vFish Warehouse Sale on 10/23 from 9AM-9PM
- Potential
 - Dad's Saber Social, 11/13 at Jack and Ginger's at 7:30pm
 - Chipotle Dine Out 11/12
 - Gala
 - Private home (North and Ashland)
 - 2/21/15, goal of 150 Attendees
 - Mardi Gras theme
 - Need volunteers for silent auction, alcohol donations, setup/decorations, etc.
 - Future Dine Outs –discussed a lot of potential restaurants

- **COMMUNICATIONS**

- Fall t-shirt sale through 10/23, \$15, Order online.

- **FUNDRAISING**

- Home Depot application was not approved.
- Fall Ask letter went out mid-September
- 2014-15 School calendar in progress
- October Matching Campaign
 - \$3500 in commitments
 - Target recurring donations in addition to one-time
 - Campaign to launch with letter going home 10/23
 - Runs until 11/23

- **TRANSFORM THE TRANSFORMER+**

- Joshua Simanskey prepared drawings
 - Entire middle playground (transformer, trees, eastern edge)
- David Benson is the project lead

- **VOLUNTEERS**

- Kiss and Go needs new recruits. We have 2 for each day, but would like 3. Some days do have 3 signups.
- NPN Preschool and Elementary Fair on 10/18 – All volunteer spots filled
- Background check process is MUCH improved from last year. Carla has forms.
- Teacher Treats has a few open spots left.
- Library Assistance sign up is active with many open slots.
- Wednesday Workday is a great place for volunteers to start – no background check and minimal commitment.
- Volunteer Subcommittees working with Carla.

OPEN MEETING FOR QUESTIONS AND OTHER TOPICS

- Dad's Saber Social 11/13 at Jack and Ginger's at 7:30pm
- Next meeting November 19th in the Pulaski Library.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at approximately 9:10 PM.