



***FAMU DRS PTA Meeting
Minutes
March 1, 2011 @ 6pm.***

Attendees: Crystal Holmes, Nikita Wiggins, Luella Sherriffe, Nikki McGlockton, Tomeka Polite, Delores Madison, Mr. Moore

I. Call to order : 6:00 by Crystal Holmes

II. Reports :

1. Luella Sherriff; FAMU DRS Reading Coach gave presentation for “Go Green” campaign. She also requested a partnership with the PTA to promote literacy on campus, to reward the students performing 80% or more on the FAIR assessment and supply books for the Media Center and individual class room libraries. She will assist the PTA in contacting more parents.
2. Administrative Report: Mr. Moore:
 - a. The Smart Academy has a Workshop Saturday March 5, 2011 9-12.
 - b. Basketball team update. The boys play in Lakeland 3/2/11. A bus is taking supporters to Lakeland in the morning. The game will be assessable via the FHSAA website. Spring Sports are underway. They include baseball, softball, track and field as well as flag football.
 - c. March 17, 2011 is the FAMU DRS Band Extravaganza in the Cafetorium. Admission is \$2. Tickets can be purchased from any band member.
 - d. The Black History program was a success.
 - e. The FCAT Writing Academy is over. Florida Writes was today for 4, 8 and 10 grade. Reading and Math Academies start Saturday 3/5/2011.
 - f. The Spring Break Safety Rally is Friday, March 18, 2011. Parents are asked to please pick up your children on time. Supervision ceases for children not involved in other after-school activities at 3:45.
 - g. Former FAMU High teacher Richard Ford passed away.

III. Treasurer Report : Nikita Wiggins; current balance \$1753.32 and one new member

IV. Current Business:

1. Update on Middle School Spring Event: Some parents have picked up application packets. Additional information will be distributed during first period by the beginning of next week. The deadline for pageant entries and talent submission is Friday, March 18, 2011. All talent must be approved by Mrs., Rivers
2. Teacher’s Appreciation Meeting Planning (Sign-up) and Old School Jam at the High II (sign-up) contact Stacy Tinner (850) 251-6144.
3. State of Volunteer Applications: Stacy Tinner has taken over doing background checks.
4. Gift cards were given to families from PTA (Reynold’s and Jones).

V. New Business

1. The Nominating Committee for the upcoming PTA elections will be elected at the April meeting. The elections are in May. Current membership is required to be on the Nominating Committee and to run for PTA Executive Board Positions.
2. Media Center Book Fair is April 1-8, 2011.
 - a. The Book Fair operates from 8-4. Volunteers are needed.
 - b. Mothers are asked to come out and read to classes on Tuesday April 5 and Fathers on Thursday April 7.
 - c. The PTA is requested to purchase donuts, juice and coffee for the two parent days. Contact Ms. Darnell for more information.
3. March 15 is Cameron Jones' Day at FAMU DRS. The gift card will be presented to the family at that time.

VI. Concerns:

1. How do we get Teachers to participate with PTA? Parents are discouraged due to low or no teacher presence at PTA meetings. It was proposed that teachers give reports cards out at the next PTA meeting April 5. Mr. Moore will submit the suggestion to Mrs. Rivers.
2. Parents are asked to be mindful of traffic during drop-off and pick-up on the Orange Avenue side. Traffic is backed up on Orange Avenue because cars are stopping at the first gate. The PTA web page is being updated. Contact has been made with the webmaster. The new PTA calendar is functioning properly.

VII. After the meeting was adjourned Delores Madison advised that she has Boys Choir of Tallahassee CDs for sale. Please contact her at 850-575-4966 or 850-210-2205. Her email address is madisondelores@rocketmail.com.

VIII. Home Going Services for Richard Allen Ford, JR

Saturday, March 5, 2011 @ 12 noon
James A. Shanks Middle School
1400 W. King Street
Quincy, FL

Send flowers and cards to Bradwell Mortuary
18300 Blue Star Hwy 90 West
Quincy, FL 32351
850 -627-3700

Next meeting: April 5, 2011 6PM;

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM