



Following is a summary of the PTA Meeting held at Desert Springs Preparatory Elementary on 10/18/16. The summary is intended for informational, reference purposes only. If you have any questions or would like clarification, please contact a PTA board member.

## **Attendees**

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Lori Vitagliano, Jenny Patton, Jen Samuels, Greg Fraker, Raquel Scott, Samantha Faraci, Cheryl Berrington, Laura Jansen, Gayle Fraker, Valerie Cooksey, Amy Willingham. Trina Wise, Henry Hill, Laura Hill, Jennifer Schwartz, Kiley Marquardt, Jennifer Mulhun, Anna Roysie, one name unreadable

## **Opening**

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- Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm with PTA Board Members present: Lori Vitagliano, Jen Samuels, Jenny Patton

## **Secretary's Report – Jenny Patton**

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- Motion by Jenny Patton to approve the minutes from September PTA meeting. Motion approved by Kiley Marquardt, motion seconded.
- Motion by Jenny Patton to approve the special meeting minutes from 9/23/16 meeting to review audit results. Motion approved by Amy Willingham, motion seconded.

## **New Treasurer**

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- Greg Fraker was sworn in under oath as new treasurer. New PTA Board member.
- Christina Ritter resigned from the PTA Board and should no longer have access to bank accounts, checks, etc.
- Greg Fraker is authorized to have access to bank accounts and sign checks on behalf of the PTA Board.

## **Treasurer's Report – Christina Ritter**

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- Apex Fun Run. Collected \$13,696.06 so far, goal is \$20K. Awaiting pledges due.
- Fall picnic hosted by PTA. Not intended to make money, however, silent auction did bring in proceeds (anticipate about \$1,200).

- Fry's reward program has generated about \$1,300 so far.

## **VP of Marketing and Membership's Report – Jen Samuels**

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- New website available! Lots of great information: <http://dspspta.weebly.com/>
- Amelia Dietz has volunteered to chair carnival. Getting bids.



- Jennifer Schwartz shared holiday gift shop is Dec 6-9, a chance for students to purchase small gifts for family and friends. Need volunteers for 1 hour slots, watch for sign up or contact Jennifer.
- Please let Jen Samuels know if you are interested in volunteering to assist or chair a committee.

## **Principal's Report – Mrs. Scott**

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- Thank you for 4<sup>th</sup> grade core knowledge package, bike rodeo, art masterpiece, movie night.
- Autism Speaks walk is on Sunday October 23 at Tempe Beach Park if interested.
- Speak Up Survey and Apex Surveys. Please watch for and provide your input.
- Please review dress code guidelines to allow our students to focus on learning.
- Disney dress day happening on October 27 since it's a half day of school (no costumes please) and wear orange/black/purple on October 31 if you like.
- Book fair 10/25-10/27. Need volunteers and classes will be visiting the fair.
- Conferences week of 10/25; sign up with your teacher.

## **Teacher's Report – Kiley Marquardt**

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- Thank you for the dinner on Wednesday the week of conferences!

## **United Parent Council – Jennifer Schwartz**

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Monthly meetings at 15002 N. 32<sup>nd</sup> St. Phoenix, AZ 85032

- October 19 – Role of Governing Board. 8:45 am, educational program begins at 10:15 am.
- November 16 meeting – Health awareness: is your child approaching overload? 8:45 am, educational program begins at 10:15 am.
- Gifted session coming up

## **President's Report – Lori Vitagliano**

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- November meeting changed to Nov 15 (due to election on Nov 8).
- Requests for budget presented for voting; all passed with a majority vote. These are one-time expenses.
  - Girl Scouts 2 recycling bins = \$120.00
  - Two Electric Staplers = \$140.00
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade AR Dinner = \$300.00 (\$100 x 3 classes)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Space Program = 780.00

## Additional Business

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- Box Tops being tallied. Next collection will happen in March, due April 1.
- New K-6 reading curriculum being reviewed at district level
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade comets selling pizza on Wednesday half day of school 10/26 – proceeds will go to Mom’s Pantry
- Fry’s grocery store community rewards program. Please enroll at [www.FrysCommunityRewards.com](http://www.FrysCommunityRewards.com)
- Idea shared for PTA Board to attend LINCS conference – Hosted by UPC. Jennifer to share more information.

RE-ENROLL IN FRY’S COMMUNITY REWARDS  Do you shop at Fry’s grocery? Enroll or re-enroll in Fry’s Community Rewards and choose our school to help us earn funds! The program, connected to your VIP Card, is easy and free! You must register every year, it doesn’t carry over.

1. Go to [www.FrysCommunityRewards.com](http://www.FrysCommunityRewards.com)
2. Click on ‘Sign-In’.
3. Enter your email and password, click on ‘sign in’.
4. Click on your name (top right hand corner), under ‘Account Summary’ scroll down to “Community Rewards”.
5. Click on ‘Edit’ under Community Rewards.
6. Under Find Your Organization, Enter Desert Springs Elementary PTA
7. Under ‘Select Your Organization’, click on the circle next to Desert Springs Elementary PTA
8. Click ‘Enroll’
9. You should see a green box with ‘Your enrollment in the Community Rewards Program has been updated. Thank you for participating!’
10. Start shopping and you’ll see your enrollment printed at the bottom of every receipt.

Thank you! You must re-enroll each year!

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.