

STEM School Chattanooga

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Monday, November 17th, 2014
Parent Leadership Team Meeting Notes (6pm-7pm)
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Agenda

- Attendance:
 - Sue Camilleri
 - Tony Camilleri
 - Trish Cox
 - George Choyce
 - Tony Donen
 - Jim Kinkead
 - Karry Koppully
 - Audrea McKnight
 - Bryan Sweetin
 - Cameille Vlietstra
 - Lori Waite
 - Doug Zukowski

- Discussion Topics:
 - Swap-Shop – Uniform Exchange Donation Program
 - PLT decided to change the Swap-Shop from an exchange program to a donation program. Parents would be able to drop any items off at the school that they wanted to donate (pants that no longer fit, polos never worn, etc.). School staff would use these to give out to students in need, and also provide students the opportunity to swap out items in the inventory. The inventory would be kept in one of the storage rooms at school.
 - Email will come from Amy Robinson regarding the Uniform Donation Program.
 - Pictures
 - Pictures will fall under the Yearbook Committee for implementation later in the year.

- Committee Business: Committee chairs will be provided the opportunity to provide any updates/needs/etc. regarding committee progress.
 - Yearbook Committee: **Karry Koppully** (karryddw@aol.com) and **Trish Cox** (tscox@epbfi.com)
 - Committee will get together over winter break.
 - Some ideas the committee will brainstorm: Cover design contest, Students uploading pictures to google drive or snapfish, Yearbook dedications, School activity/club pictures, Advertisements, etc..
 - Volunteer Committee: **Christina Dietz** (cdietz@epbfi.com) - absent
 - Staff Appreciation Committee: **Trish Cox** (tscox@epbfi.com)
 - Provided monthly staff appreciation meal on Monday. Had nacho line with desserts, and it was hugely successful with many parents willing to provide food.
 - Next month will include a Soup Day.
 - Fundraising Committee: **Tracie Clifford** (tracie.clifford@chattanooga.state.edu) - absent
 - Parent Orientation Committee: **Audrea McKnight** (audreamcknight@gmail.com)
 - Will be working on making revisions for next year including more STEM 101 and more “experts” to help.

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- One major area to work on will be in thinking how we can best integrate parents into the many STEM items unique to the school. Ultimately, with parents having a good working knowledge of what they can do to best support their child's learning and progress.
- Outdoor Classroom Committee: **Lori Warren** (lori.warren@chattanoogastate.edu) - absent
- STEM Day Committee: **Cameille Vlietstra** (cameillev@chattanoogacvb.com)
 - Date for STEM Day will be either April 18th or March 21st.
 - Cameille's plans include:
 - Meeting with Tracie Clifford regarding fundraising.
 - Contacting food vendors.
 - Connecting with Christina for STEM Day volunteers.
 - Meet with students for ideas.
 - Investigate possible musical guest.
 - Provide Student Council and clubs opportunity to have tents at the event.
 - Create armband purchase process that provides elementary schools with a portion of the proceeds coming from their school age student participants.
- New Business for next meeting – new topics for discussion at next PLT meeting
 - STEM Parent Get Together – Ideas for STEM School parents to get together and connect

Next Meeting

- PLT meetings for 14-15 are on the 3rd Monday of each month at 6pm. Next meeting is on Monday, December 15th.