October 25, 2018 Peeples Elementary General PTO meeting Peeples Launch Pad

Present: Sarah Harmond, Lauren Scheu, Amanda Moberly, Audrey Gumm, Meghan Simmons, Sara Van Etten, Angie Gregory, Erica Robinson, Brittney Matcheck, Jenifer Demchak, Gina Benoit, Heather Burrows, Sara Lax, Flo Bradley, Monica Thomas, Wanda Godwin, Buffy Blodgett, Adriana Marshburn, Roy Rabold

1. Call to Order at 9:35 by Rhonda Mangin

Quorum was present.

- 2. Welcome and Introductions by Rhonda. New faces introduced themselves.
- 3. **Approval of September 2018 Minutes-** Wanda Godwin made motion to approve minutes. Jenifer Demchak second. All were in favor.
- 4. School Board District 2 Candidates. Candidates were given 5 minutes to discuss their platform. No discussion or questions were allowed.

. <u>Sara Van Etten</u>- Resident of Fayette County for 12 years. Drawn to Fayette County due to schools. Worked with a group of other moms in FC to enrich life in Fayette County. Built relationships with government offices in FC. Worked for CASA and has a passion for children. Sat on Superintendent's board. Wants to improve the communication between the school board and community to make sure information is distributed and people are informed.

a. <u>Roy Rabold</u>- Former high school principal. Lived in FC for 25 years. Children graduated from FC school system. Educator for 42 years. All about kids. Priorities are 1) provide quality education for all students. 2) equity among schools. 3) we have quality teachers and we need to keep them. 4) Fiscal responsibility. Knows how to operate school budget in order to provide quality education. 5) keeping parents involved and informed. 6) triangle of success. Parents one corner-students one corner-teachers one corner. 7) school safety. Worked with sheriffs dept to help develop safety plan for schools.

5. Officer's Reports

. President - Rhonda shared updates on FCBOE website and encouraged us to check it out. Teacher gift wrap will be end of November and December. Sign up genius is coming soon. November Holiday lunches are coming up at the end of November 28th 1st, 3rd, and 5th. November 29th will be k, 2nd, and 4th.

i. FCBOE Updates

a. Vice President - Amanda had no report.

b. Treasurer - Meghan discussed a couple of budget items. Checking balance is at \$62,236.06. A check was just written to Peeples for a few things that PTO covers through the year. More discussion at next meeting.

c. Recording Secretary - Sarah reminded everyone to sign in.

d. Corresponding Secretary - Lauren has made some changes to website. Showed parents that theTeacher's Favorite Things forms are available online. Publix has changed their rebate format. Lauren helped walk parents through sign up for Publix. You will now have to put your phone number in at checkout. Go to Publix.com to create an account to link your phone number to Peeples so that we get credit. We earned about \$770 last quarter from Publix alone. We received \$150 from Kroger. Please encourage others to link their account to Peeples. Thank you to Sara Lax for setting up her Publix account a few weeks ago!

6. Committee Reports (only upcoming events/programs)

. Art Room/Artsonia - Sheila was not present. Please check out your children's art and check out the items that are available for purchase. All children have at least one piece of art in their account with more coming.

a. Box Tops - Ashleigh was not present. Rhonda reported that box tops are being sorted and counted. Contests coming soon!

b. Hospitality - Heather Burrows reported that bus driver appreciation day was yesterday. Little coolers were delivered to bus drivers. Help is always welcomed! Sign Ups coming soon.

c. Kindness Week - Amanda Moberly reported that second meeting has just been held. Everything is pretty much set. 1st day- student led pep rally. 2nd day- TBA. 3rd day-joint activity with Rising Starr students. 4th day- will make thank you cards for emergency service workers. 5th- serve breakfast to emergency responders. Next meeting will be November 14th at 9 am. No meeting in December and then one more meeting in January.

d. Pumpkin Fun Run - Donna New was not present. Rhonda reported that 389 registered for run, which was a good turn out for a holiday weekend. Next year we will host PFR on September 20th. Combine with Rocket Blast Off in 2019.

e. Spirit Nights - Lauren said that spirit nights are going good. \$523.88 so far this year. Next week is at Sky Zone and she needs some help working the sign in table. Audrey Gumm let us know that Zaxby's Spirit Night was great...very friendly!

Spirit Nights

f. Spring Fling - Amanda reported that Spring Fling is our biggest fund raiser of the year. Thanks to Donna doing so well with PFR we only need to obtain about \$2,600 in sponsorships to cover the costs to host Spring Fling. 8 baskets for auction.

- 1. Beanie Boos
- 2. Candy Haven
- 3. Legos
- 4. School Spirit
- 5. Sports
- 6. Art and Music

- 7. Family Night
- Girls Just Wanna Have Fun (spa, hair, Justice, etc.)
 Committee is working on getting donations from community first then will reach out to parents. Need volunteers during the actual event on May 3rd. Next meeting is November 14th at 8 am.

7. Principal's Report - Buffy Blodgett

Thanked Donna and Tara for their hard work on Pumpkin Fun Run. We are celebrating Red Ribbon Week this week. Next Wednesday will be Book Character Day. Our K Kids club is selling candy grams for \$.25. All proceeds will go to charity of their choice. K,1st & 2nd will have a book character parade. We are hosting other schools for Fire Safety Day. November 9th is Veterans Day celebration at Peeples. Lots of opportunities for student led activities. 9:45am.

Parapro Appreciation is November 14th. Nov 19-23 is Thanksgiving break. Vacancy in Kindergarten has been filled by Susan Medina. Intervention Coach position is now open. We are going through AdvancED certification. Rising Starr was visited by the AdvancED committee. They had a lot of positive feedback about Fayette County schools. Will know more in about 6 weeks.

Leader in Me- students school wide are now working on WIGs. Save the date in January for k-4 student led conferences. 5th grade already does student led conferences.

We had our first Synergy Squad led by students. It was great! Worked with our feeder pattern and had Starr's Mill pep band and pep squad here to entertain students. After pep rally the students broke into groups. Next Synergy Squad will be November 16th. Parents are invited to observe.

Technology- 5 students are participating in Georgia Statewide Technology Competition at Rising Starr this weekend. 5 Peeples students will be participating to earn a spot in the regional competition. Still in process of recertifying for Digital Citizenship. Broadcast team is adding to morning announcements. Tech team is in full force. They troubleshoot chromebooks. We will be particiting in Hour of Code during December 4-8. We are receiving Google Expedition soon for a period of about 3 weeks.

8. Teachers' Report - Monica Thomas

Teachers really would love a kickball diamond on the playground.

9. Old Business-none

. **New Business-** order form soon for school wide Leader In Me shirt to suffice for field day, field trips, Synergy Squad days etc.

10. Open Floor-none

11. Adjourn- Wanda Godwin made a motion to adjourn at 10:41am. Second by Buffy Blodgett.

Upcoming PTO Events:

November 1 - Sky Zone Spirit Night (5 - 9pm) November 6 - Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night (5 - 7pm) November 14 - Spring Fling meeting (8am) November 14 - Kindness Week meeting (9am) November 15 - Box Tops due November 29 - PTO meeting (9:30am)

Please check school and PTO website for all calendar dates