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Regular Charter School
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PTA General Meeting Minutes

Thursday, Sept. 28th, 2017

Introduction & Welcome

Erica Switzer, PTA President

- 6:07pm Erica welcomed everyone and introduced herself. Tonights meeting was sponsored by Salon Island Estates. Victoria Marino spoke briefly on her salon.
- Marci Deuell gave a quick presentation on Odyssey of the Mind which is a creative problem solving program for kids of all ages, K-college. Mrs. Deuell and Mrs. Pacana are really trying to bring this program to ADV and were looking for interest from both parent and students. There were some parent volunteers and they are hoping to get this program up and running within the next couple weeks.
- Marci Deuell also announced that the Hurricane Relief held by ADV raised over \$400. Big thanks to Marci for heading up those efforts.
- Special Student Showcase- 7th grade Dance Elective video shown.
- Erica spoke on her visions and goals for Academie Da Vinci PTA this year.
- Introduced the new board positions:
 - ❖ Jason Taylor is our new Fundraising Chair
 - ❖ Krista Howe Jensen is Room Mom Coordinator
- Erica went over how big PTA actually is on a National level how we can make a difference. ADV PTA theme this year is "Watch Us Grow".
- We will be having a Membership Drive Oct 2nd-16th. First class to make it to 100% PTA Membership will get a prize.
- Special Student Showcase- Media Club
- Upcoming Dates:
 - 10/20 Ball-O-Ween
 - 10/27 All Pro Dads
 - 11/10 Reflections Deadline

- Reflections categories this year are Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography and Visual Arts. The theme this year is “Within Reach.”
- Wendy Stanziano spoke on Reflections and the importance in judging on the artists statement.

Fall Fundraiser

Jason Taylor, Presiding Chair

- Last year we profited \$10,000 from Yankee Candle
- Expecting to profit more from this year’s fundraiser with FundShoppe.com. Sales began 9/29 and end 10/16.
- FundShoppe sells gourmet treats, kitchen gadgets, wrapping paper, candles and much more...
- FundShoppe can ship Direct (free with and \$85 purchase) or the ship to school dates is 11/14.
- PTA is encouraging parents to set realistic goals with their children and help them aim to achieve their goal.
- 3401 is ADV school code
- Do NOT throw away your paper order form, your childs specific number is in the top left hand corner of that page.
- Prices for the children range from little toy to limo ride, children are very excited about this years prizes.
- Teachers can also win with FundShoppe.
- PTA is looking for volunteers to help pass out the products when they come in on 11/14.

PTA Happenings

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- **Ball-O-Ween** is coming on 10/20. It will be held at Postcardmania. Address is 2145 Sunndydale Blvd, Clearwater FL 33765.
 - Costume Contest
 - Dancing
 - Games
 - Pumpkin Decorating Contest
 - Special Student Showcase
- Next All Pro Dads is on 10/27 in the South Cafeteria. PTA encourages all that can to attend, All Pro Dads teaches great messages to both the parents and children and it is only \$5 per adult, kids are free.

Budget

Erica Switzer, PTA President

- Budget-PTA has a new program in place for any requests for PTA funds. We have a new form that must be filled out completely and turned in to Mrs. Morgan first. She will then review and if approved, turn into PTA board who will then review and bring to PTA meetings.
- Current Proposals: (Funds carried over from 2016/2017 to be applied)
 - Coach Patrick \$355 for 2 new basketball hoops and 4 new basketballs.
 - Wendy Stanziano and Annie Traynor \$480 for 2 tickets to FAEA training in St Pete
 - Wendy Stanziano \$977.20 for digital art apps for iPads (Includes 8 Apps for 70 iPads that will be used in all classes.
 - The Arts Team- Phase One- \$1550 for sound system to used for school productions. Mobile sound system with boom mics, speakers, brackets and cables. This system will be used immediately for performances at the school, outdoors, parades, community centers, galleries, etc....

Shalee Chytraus, PTA Treasurer

- We have an opening balance of \$9115.58.
- Reviewed proposed budget for 2017/2018 school year.
- Brad Malone made a motion to approve the proposed budget, motion passed. All proposals were approved.
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Principals Report

Michelle Morgan, Principal

- Focusing on Triangle of Teamwork- Administrator, Parents and Students. All must work together to succeed.
- PTA Membership Drive is Oct 2-15th. First classroom at ADV to reach 100% PTA Membership will receive a prize
- Adopt-A-Class helps classrooms with funds for school supplies, programs, etc for the year. Still have some classes that need to be adopted. If interested, please contact Mrs. Morgan.
- Things will be changing at ADV over the next few years but there is an end goal. ADV is going to be the talk of the town. First focus is on the community. Some events ADV is signed up to have students showcasing their work:
 - 11/17 Surrealist Art Exhibition
 - 11/18 Festival of Trees
 - 12/2 Showcase of Schools: K-2 Dance and 4-5 Sing
 - 12/2 Santa Breakfast & Boat Parade

- 12/5 K-2 Show
- 12/9 Holiday Parade

PTA Openings

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- Volunteers needed for several events. All families are required to volunteer 20 hrs. per year.
- Need Volunteers for immediately for Fall Fundraiser Committee and Ball-O-Ween Committee.
- Also have a position open immediately for Communications Chair.
- Looking down the line need volunteers for PTA Newsletter Publication committee, Silent Auction/ Raffle Committee, also looking for someone experienced in grant writing.

Final Notes & Round Table

- Have a few Seats open in 6th and 7th grade
- Discussion about possibly doing away with homework, adding yoga program for school, drama club, Horse Power for kids.
- Nov 11th is first due date for Box Tops.

Meeting Adjourned 7:35pm

President Approval

Date

Secretary Approval

Date