

Farmdale FPA Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2022

Meeting called to order at: 6:37pm

Attendance: Christina Hance, Lindsay Gregg, Micael McGovern, Crystal Shields, Samantha Weigle, Jess Brandt, Erin Brossman, Pam Swan, Erin Gosik, Tiffany Geiger, Trisha Pearson, Laurie Rineer, Melissa Reihart, Andrea Nikolaus

Minutes from November 11, 2022

Changes: none

Motion: Jess Brandt and Micael McGovern

Treasurer's Report (Crystal Shields): See Attached

Changes: none

Motion: Erin

Principal's Input: (Mrs. Pearson): February's school wide theme focuses on loving ourselves and others. We are engaging in classroom read alouds and activities that focus on recognizing., accepting, and celebrating differences in one another. We are also celebrating African American History month. Teachers are reading aloud books in the classroom to learn about important African Americans.

We have four Building Aide vacancies at Farmdale. If you are interested in one of the positions please reach out and we will guide you through the application process. We are thankful to those who have volunteered during our lunch times, 11-1:35. You do not need to volunteer the entire 2 ½ hours.

Teacher's Input: (Ms. Weigle): Thank you for all the great snacks. We are working on the t-shirt sizes for the students.

SPAC Report: (Andrea Nikolaus and Micael McGovern): We met the new Food Service Director- she has great ideas on introducing new foods into our menus.

2022/23 school calendar is out.

Looking to bring new views into SPAC- any ideas/ questions please let us know.

There is a shortage of employees, please have patience.

Old Business:

As a reminder, Mrs. DeArment is looking for tangible prizes such as coupons for local businesses (Example: Turkey Hill Slushie Coupons, Auntie Anne's, McDonalds coupons, etc) as a part of Farmdale's Be the One school-wide behavior plan. Should be a coupon where student wouldn't

need to purchase anything in addition to the coupon. Please reach out to Mrs. DeArment if you have connections to local businesses.

New Business:

Chairs needed for 2022/2023 school year:

- Holiday Craft Night/Holiday Shop
- Volunteer Coordinator

Open Board Positions for next school year:

- Secretary

Shadow for remainder of this year and possibly next year:

- Treasurer

-VIP Dance (Aubrey Day): Waiting on the confirmation of which dates will work, we are between February March 11th and Friday, March 25th. Contacted Kristen about having her husband DJ and they are not available either day. If anyone would have any DJ suggestions, please let Aubrey know.

-Falcon Cart (Aubrey Day): no update

-Yearbook (Erin Gosik): no update

-Sunshine Committee (Erin Gosik): The rest of the year has volunteers for each month.

-Festival (Jamie Kopp): I have Papa Tater coming again and Big Bright Bounce is also lined up. I am just finalizing the bounces. I have the volunteer sign up genius filled out and ready to go for when it's time to send out. Going through the prizes and making sure we do not need anything to round that out.

-Festival Auction (Jessica Brandt and Pam Swan):

-Spring Bookfair (Natalie Fantom and Aubrey Day): no update

-Hershey Park (Laurie Rineer): in the beginning stages, hoping to distribute at the end of April.

-6th Grade T-Shirts (Lori Safstrom): I've requested names and sizes from Mrs. Weigle. She's gathering that info from each of the 6th grade teachers.

-Room Parents (Erin Brossman): Some classes had Fall/ Winter parties which was a lot of fun. The next job will be to secure volunteers for the Festival.

-FES Scholarship (Micael McGovern): The topic for this year's Hempfield Scholarship was voted on tonight. The majority voted for choice 2, which is:

As our society embraces technology and social distancing during the pandemic, we are left feeling together, yet alone. One of Farmdale's cornerstones is providing a safe environment for students to come together and be the one. As you look back throughout your school years, what knowledge

would you offer the younger students who may find these times difficult? In 300- 500 words, explain to us how you can find community in a world that asks us to be apart.

The decision committee will comprise one Farmdale FPA member and two Farmdale faculty/administrators.

-Falcon Garden (Christine Baker and Holly Galvez): no update

-Family Night (Sheila Bruce): Spoke briefly with Mrs. Pearson about a date in March. During the meeting, a suggestion was made to hold math night on March 14th. Waiting on date confirmation.

-Cafeteria Volunteers (Eric Miller): Cafeteria help has really picked up, however there are days that still need to be covered. Reach out to Eric if you need the Sign Up genius link.

-Spirit Wear (Lindsay Gregg)-Spirit Wear Sale starts on Friday and goes until Friday, February 25th. Link was sent out in email and flyers are on the table to pick up.

-Staff Appreciation (Cara Flynn): I will reach out to Miss Weigle about catering options. The March lunch will be the bigger celebration for staff since students have off this day and the staff can eat together.

-Holiday Craft/Holiday Shop (Cara Flynn): no update

-Falcon Dash (Melissa Reihart and Laurie Rineer): No update

-Field Day Coordinator (Melissa Reihart): no update

-Volunteer Coordinator (Veronica Pilon): no update

-Box Tops (Holly Gladfelter): no update

Board Update:

Gaga Pit will be presented to the school board February 22nd. If it is approved, Gaga Pit will be purchased and the hope is to have it built sometime in April.

Starting next month, we will be adding a fun family activity or speaker to our meetings. The activity or guest speakers will present from 6-6:30pm and then we will go right into our meeting.

Schedule:

March- Family Zumba with Mrs. Jen Miller (During the FPA Meeting, we will hear from Isabelle and Lucy Hance about Autism Awareness Month in April)

April- Mrs. DeArment and Mrs. Bair speaking on Stress Management

May- TBD (Craft for Mother's Day)

Just a reminder, if you are not able to attend the monthly FPA meeting, please send your update to Christina at girlsmommy1168@aol.com by the Monday before the Board meeting each month. If you plan to attend the meeting, you do not need to send an update ahead of time.

Round Table:

Raffle- Laurie Rineer is the winner

Meeting adjourned at: 7:26pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 10th.