

Falling Spring PTO
1006 Falling Spring Rd
Chambersburg, PA 17202

1ST PTO MEETING

Date: 9/14/2023

Attendance:

Adam Bennett	President
Lynn Sheppard	Vice – President
Jillian Bennett (absent)	Treasurer
Chelsea Bennett	Secretary
Chasity Johnson	Head Teacher
Stacy Leeper	Teacher
Stacy Deardorff	Teacher
Jenn Smith	Parent
Jan Deardorff	Parent
Melanie Myers	Parent
Debbie Stouffer	Parent
Kristen Bobb	Parent
Cara Davis	Parent
Laura Alleman	Parent

Agenda

Officers & Introductions	<p>President – Adam Bennett Vice President – Lynn Sheppard Treasurer – Jillian Bennett Secretary – Chelsea Bennett</p> <p>Thank you to all who helped last year. We have come a long way.</p>
Treasurer Report	<p>Currently \$4,960 in account Ended at \$5,200 last year Check from Yearbook – it was received and deposited \$764.00 Jill, Chasity, and Lynn are all on the account Jill, Debbie, and Lynn completed an audit of last year's funds – audit form completed and signed by all. Jill would like to do quarterly audits and she is asking for parent volunteers (3)</p>
Communication	<p>Social Media</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chelsea will continue doing this <p>PTO newsletter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bimonthly <p>DOJO; Sapphire Meeting Minutes will be put on CASD website</p>
Calendar	<p>PTO meetings will occur every 2nd Thursday night 6:30 – 7:30</p>

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	<p>Upcoming events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Homecoming September 13th – parade<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Monday – movie Monday (dress like a celebrity or movie character)○ Tuesday – Stunt Double Day (twin day)○ Wednesday – Go pink day!○ Thursday – Beach Day○ Friday – Trojan Blue/White Day○ Homecoming was a huge success yesterday – big thanks to all who helped!○ We discussed maybe next year doing school supplies instead of candy that we throw out.• Trunk or Treat<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ October 25th 2 hr dismissal○ 6 pm○ Flyer will say "Falling Spring Families Only"○ Lynn will head off this event○ Prizes for best costume and best trunk (we will have to have a system for voting) <p>Roni will DOJO a google form on who wants to help with these events especially since Homecoming is prior to 1st PTO meeting</p> <p>Anything else need to be added to calendar?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oct 9th is now a school day – makeup from ransomware <p>Spirit wear due Fri the 15th</p>
Committees	<p>Athletic – Jan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jan is asking for help with this committee <p>Kindness – Roni</p> <p>Fundraising – Jen Dalton</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meadows Fundraiser - \$10 gift card – we'll do around the holidays for stocking stuffers, teacher gifts, etc. We get \$3 per card that is sold. We must sell 50 cards.• Meadows Fundraiser – 5th grade students make their own flavor, we market it and they serve it one night. We get 25% of all proceeds that night.• School store opens on Sept 18th.• Relay Race – Debbie mentioned this; sent pto an email about this; we could talk with Mrs. Kemp about setting this up <p>Yearbook – Jenn Smith</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jenn would like help with pictures

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chasity will talk with Allison Davis to set up a google drive to dump all pictures in Lynn will come in to the school to take pictures <p>Events – Debbie Stouffer, Lynn Sheppard</p> <p>CASD Parent Advisory – Laura Alleman</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> She meets with school board 1x/month for a lunch meeting She can bring things to them from parents, teachers She discussed Ben Raber's Thriving Schools Movement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a facebook page There is an Instagram and an email address We discussed inviting him to a meeting for a Question and Answer session <p>Spirit Wear – Jillian Bennett</p>
Athletic Committee	<p>Should we do soccer medals/awards? Other schools do this.</p> <p>Cara Davis mentioned that other schools give out an amount to all coaches that they can choose what they do with it – medals, pizza party, etc.</p>
Fundraising Committee	Membership Form – have we sent this out?
Garden/Front Bed	<p>Front Bed is responsibility of Buildings and Grounds</p> <p>Garden is PTO responsibility</p> <p>IDEA: Fall Make a Difference Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freshen up Falling Spring Dads, parents can come and do a refresh of the building, esp the garden <p>Date: 10/8/2023; rain date 10/15/2023</p> <p>We will have a rock painting station for rocks to be painted to be used in garden or front bed. Jenn Smith will donate paint.</p>
Teacher's Favorite Things	Send out the Teacher's Favorite Things again
Grant for Playground	<p>Decided against GAGA pit for now; will instead put our money towards a school mascot (Falcon)</p> <p>Sarah Herbert let us know that anything purchased needs to be brand new (ex. GAGA pit)</p> <p>Chelsea will look at writing a grant for playground</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chasity mentioned about physical disabilities and sensory issues in the playground <p>Ideas on what grants are out there?</p>

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PBIS/Student of the Month	<p>What will be occurring this year? Will it be the same as last year?</p> <p>PBIS Committee met 1x so far; they are still in the works of what this will look like</p>
Bylaws (VOTE)	<p>Discussed the bylaws</p> <p>Discussed not tying teacher involvement to their \$200 classroom supply stipend</p> <p>We will vote at second PTO meeting – parents were given a copy to look at and review</p>
Falcon Mascot (VOTE)	<p>Vote on 1, 2, or 3</p> <p>All voted on 1st if we can get his shirt to be red</p>
PTO Project Survey (VOTE)	<p>Name Plates (last on priority list)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jenn Smith will make CANVA name cards that we can hang on walls outside of classrooms for now until we purchase <p>Microwave *TOP Priority</p> <p>Laminator *Next fundraiser – we can announce it's for this</p>
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chelsea will contact someone about the name plates – is that something CASD will pay for? Adam will contact Buildings and Grounds about Front landscaping, mulch Adam will contact buildings and grounds to set up a date for doing a walkthrough of the playground with Debbie and Melanie to develop plans on a new playground We will purchase a working microwave Roni will send out DOJO requests for parent's help with trunk or treat Laminator specs will be received by teachers Roni can send out a DOJO asking for help with Athletic committee Chasity will talk with Allison Davis to set up a google drive to dump all pictures in Laura Alleman will express that teachers want to see their board members in the schools Chelsea will send out Teacher's favorite things Chelsea will research playground grants Purchase falcon mascot Make an announcement with what was purchased with PTO funds (Facebook, DOJO) Chelsea will send Roni meeting minutes to post on CASD PTO page

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chelsea will send out a summary email to teachers on what we met about• Chelsea will make contact lists/emails for events, committees
Next Meeting	Thursday, October 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Vote on By Laws○ Decide on fundraiser for laminator purchase○ Decide on cost to give coaches for medal/treat

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