

Charlemagne PTO Meeting Notes

October 16, 2012

1. Welcome - Larisa
2. New Business
 1. Elect a New PTO Co-Chair
 1. Angie Davis nominated and approved
3. Principal's Report - Tom Maloney
 1. Parent Generated Account Balance/Update (numbers are rounded)
 1. Funds update
 1. Account was \$142,000 at the beginning of the year
 2. \$134,000 assigned for staffing needs
 1. Funded .89 Classroom Teacher
 2. Funded .1 Certified Literacy Support position
 3. Funded 5.25 hours of Literacy support per day
 3. \$1,700 was allocated for work study
 4. \$1,000 to support Community Living
 5. \$1,000 PTO
 6. \$500 Garden
 7. \$350 OBOB
 8. Balance on Oct 16, 2012; \$3,700
 2. Funded for '12-'13 school year, we are raising money for '13-'14 school year
 3. Goal to raise \$200,000 in order to maintain current level of staffing
 1. Fund Goals
 1. Teachers
 2. Literacy Support
 4. School has 303 students as of Oct 16, 2012
 2. 4J Facilities report
 1. Board is working on Capital Improvement Plan proposals
 2. Expect to see ballot initiative May '13 or Nov '13
4. Site Council Report - Amy Samson (Tom Maloney gave update)
 1. Panel Discussion with Roosevelt on Oct 25.
 1. Subject is what happens after Charlemagne.
 2. Site Council manages budget, looking to better market the school & take control of the school's image
 3. Couple areas Council wants to focus
 1. Math - meet the common core standards
 1. How to incorporate French into the program
 2. Full French Language Arts; teach language fully in French
 1. Social Studies is next subject to incorporate
 3. Emphasize Community Living
 1. Respect
 2. Empathy
 3. Cooperation
 4. Inclusion

5. Integrity
4. Technology
 1. Applied for \$7,500 in EEF grants for technology
 2. Palo Alto Software is donating several fairly new computers w/ tech. support
4. Homework
 1. Looking to make it consistent across grades
 2. Looking for it to be appropriate in length of time
 3. Homework should be repetition and practice
 4. Expect to see it fully implemented next year
5. Committee Reports
 1. Fundraising
 1. Gift Wrap - Cindy Gupta
 1. Orders should arrive in 2-3 weeks
 2. Raised \$10,000
 3. People who donated cash will get a tax receipt
 2. Occasional Restaurant Fundraiser - Cindy Matherly
 1. Mazzi's, working for Monday, November 5 from 5 - 9PM
 3. EEF Direct Drive - Angie Davis, Wendy Jett & Kathryn Gaines
 1. Direct Fundraising drive is underway but the official letters are in transit
 2. May consider extending the drive, past Oct 26 to give people extra time to participate
 3. Encouraging monthly transfers
 4. Setting up fund transfers via checking accounts results in no transfer fees for EEF. If Paypal is used, Paypal takes a fee from EEF.
 4. Poinsettias & Wreaths - Janine Bryant
 1. Started Yesterday
 2. Active for about 2 weeks, ends Oct 30
 3. School will keep 40% of revenue, working with Johnson Brothers
 4. Delivery is scheduled for Dec 7 at 8:30AM
 5. Book Fair - Christine Sample, Rebecca Stafford, JoAnn Hoffman
 1. Online signup
 2. Keeps 60% from Scholastic, all goes toward books for the library
 3. Teachers will be doing their wish baskets
 2. Green Schools/Garden Club - Tabatha Andrews
 1. Saturday Garden Party Report
 1. Good weather, lots done, winter cover crops have been planted
 2. Hiring landscapers for cleaning up perimeter of garden
 1. Unused space, weeding isn't rewarding for volunteers
 2. Needs to help another school become a Green School to move to the next level of Green School
 3. Esprit de Corps - Melissa Sikes, Gina Thompson - looking for new members
 1. Movie Night, Oct 19 - Charlotte's Web, 6:30PM in Charlemagne gym
 2. Halloween Event - After school, walk down to neighborhood senior center
 3. Thanksgiving Fundraiser - Similar to previous years, money will go to Charlemagne families

4. eScrip - Brett & Melissa Gomsrud
 1. Informational flyers created and distributed
 2. \$380 raised in August, the last month financials are available
 3. 298 participants up 5 from September's report
5. Co-Chairs Report - Angie & Larisa
 1. Update on PTO Reps
 2. Volunteer for Reader Board needed
 1. Camille Lieder volunteered
6. Parent French Night Report/Feedback - Amy Chinitz
 1. Larisa gave report that program went well
6. Next Actions Steps, refreshments, announcements