## Spring Creek Elementary PTA Meeting Minutes November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016 10AM in the Art Room

Ashley Rayback and Alicia Hickman, PTA Co-Presidents, called to order. Pledge was led by Michelle Orne.

Thought: Dahlia Bone, Leadership VP – "Forget everything and run, or face everything and rise. The choice is Yours".

Teacher Update: Maren Clayton, Teacher VP – Speaking on behalf of all the teachers, we were very happy and impressed with how well Red Ribbon Week and also Freedom Week went. The assembly for Freedom Week was amazing! Thank you so much for the dinner for Parent Teacher Conferences. It was greatly appreciated.

As far as Santa's Secret Shoppe goes, maybe sending some sort of signup sheet to the teachers via email to schedule times to go in would be easier than having to go to downstairs and sign up in person, just a thought.

Please know that you can contact your student's teachers by email or phone. If you ever feel like you are having a hard time contacting them, please know you can contact me as well. If you are able to volunteer to help in classes we could use you. We would love to have you even if it's not in your own child's class. Thanks so much for all you do!

Community Outreach: Kimmy Martinez – Our Choir and Orchestra early morning classes are going so well. We are so lucky to have these programs. We also have our after school STEM program for  $4^{th} - 6^{th}$  grades. We are working on getting some after school programs for our younger grades. We are hoping to have something for the New Year.

## Event Reports:

Red Ribbon Week – Dahlia Bone, Leadership VP: All went well this week. I think the students and staff both enjoyed it. We tried our best to not interrupt instruction time for our students and we felt the teachers appreciated that. It was nice to have all the awards with the teachers to choose winners and hand out prizes. Maybe next year we could do a kick-off assembly.

Subway Night – Ashley Rayback, PTA Co-President: Subway Night went great! We did earn some money for the school. It was much better than Zupas last year. We look forward to having another Subway Night in the future and to continue our relationship with the owner. She is wonderful to work with and wants to help in our community. We loved working with her.

Freedom Week – Alicia Hickman, PTA Co-President: Freedom Week was awesome! The assembly was amazing and I was so proud to discuss it with others. I felt the students really understood the importance of our freedom and how we received it, and honored those who have fought for it. Parent Teacher Conference Dinner – Jenny Fosdick: Thank you to everyone who brought food. We had more than enough soup, and bread, and goodies. The teachers really enjoyed it. I was grateful to everyone willing to help. It went so smoothly and turned it great!

## Box Tops Due -

We did receive some box tops. I've been turning them in monthly. If you have a Box Top that is going to be expiring soon you can always turn it in early and contact me. I will get it turned in. Our next Box Top turn in will be Dec. 2, 2016. I will have signs outside near the student drop off to help remind everyone. Have your students turn them into their teachers. Thanks so much!

Santa's Secret Shoppe – Ashley Rayback & Alicia Hickman, PTA Co-Presidents: We need a lot of volunteers for this to work. This is one of our biggest fundraisers and the students love it! We need more gifts to have in the store. Things for older kids, we want the students to be able to buy something for their older siblings and parents. If you see something at the dollar store, that you think would make a great gift, please contact us. We will also be using signup genius again this year. Please sign up and help. It's going to take a lot of us to make this run smoothly.

Reflections – Ashley Rayback & Alicia Hickman, PTA Co-Presidents: We were very saddened that only 15 students entered Reflections. Out of our 15 students, 8 went on to District, and 4 received awards on the District level. We have great students with so many talents we need to find a way to get more kids involved. Reflections is a huge task and takes hours and hours to prepare, get the word out to students and parents, schedule for judging, and send students to the district level. If you have any ideas to help this succeed in the future please let us know. Also, we are looking for someone to head this up next year as well. Ashley has done an awesome job the last two years and needs a break. This is a big task and we need a committee to run it, not just a couple of people.

A new year is coming up! Know that we need a President for next year!!!! Keep it in mind and let us know!

Official Voting: Approval of October Meeting Minutes. Jenny Fosdick motioned for approval, Malisa Whiting seconded. Voting was unanimous.

If you have any questions or concerns, or would like to be more involved, please contact Ashley Rayback at 801-602-0600 (call or text) or Alicia Hickman at 801-318-2055 (call or text) or springcreekpta@gmail.com