

Friends of Cutler Meeting Minutes – September 13, 2017

Attendees: Jennifer Clifford, 40 parents, guest speakers Catherine Donovan and Donna Stephens

Guest speakers Catherine Donovan and Donna Stephens from food services

- All new students and kindergarteners should have received their PIN numbers
- You can put money on your child's account online via myschoolbucks.com (transaction fee) or send a check in with your student (no fee).
- You can procure food for your events through Catherine and Donna.
- Call if you have allergy concerns. Donna can tell you ingredients in meals.
- The snack program is for 3-5 graders. They can buy a snack in the last 5 minutes of lunch. Frozen novelty items on Thursdays. No snacks on Wednesdays. Snacks meet state guidelines.
- There are 5 components (grain, fruit, vegetable, milk, protein) and your child must choose at least 3 (one must be a fruit or vegetable).
- A student can charge up to 5 lunches without money in the account. Delinquent account emails go out on Fridays.

Welcome, Overview, and Initiatives – Kristen Degan

- Communication is sent out through the updated website, News to Use, Facebook and newsletters.
- Friends of Cutler prints on blue paper.
- Volunteer opportunities are still available. A form came home that can be filled out or fill out the survey online. Help is needed for movie night on October 13.

Principal's Welcome – Jennifer Clifford

- 287 students; 14 classes; 10 new students in grades 1-5; 61 kindergarten students; 5 new teachers and 3 new assistants.
- Icebreaker night is September 18. Families can visit classes from 5-6 and enjoy ice cream from 6-7.
- The nurse, Lynn Nardella, is looking for hand-me-downs
- There is a bake sale on Saturday, September 16 to benefit hurricane victims. There is also a coin drive.

Minutes – Stephanie Stein

- June meeting minutes were voted on and approved.

Treasurer's Report/Accounting – Kelly Cunningham and Aubrey Tosh

- This year's budget was voted on and approved.

Upcoming September Events – Kristen Degan

- Icebreaker Evening Monday, September 18 at 5pm.
- Friends Night out at the Black Cow Thursday, September 21 at 7pm.

- Mobile Fingerprinting Thursday, September 28, 9-330 at HW Library.
- Cutler Spirit Day is Friday, September 29. Wear your Cutler gear or red.

School Improvement – Val McCormack

- The grounds committee is working on landscaping and adding benches by the main door.
- Working on getting a new Cutler sign.
- An order was placed for new playground equipment (balls, basketball nets, etc)

Ed Fund – Kristin Burke

- Kick off Event: Friends Night Out on Thursday, September 21, 7-10pm at Black Cow.
- Donate now: www.friendsofcutler.com

Free Money – Amy Howell

- BoxTops brought in \$742 last year.
- Stop&Shop brought in \$450 last year. Sign up online.
- Crosby's/Henry's receipts are being accepted September 1 til March.
- Amazon Smile: find the link of Friends of Cutler.

School Store – Nancy Waddell

- Opening week is September 18-22. This will be held in the cafeteria. \$3 limit.

Cultural Enrichment – Nicole Ireland

- This year's theme is leadership.
- Classes will read The Leader in Me by Steven Covey.

Hospitality – Kristin Burke & Melissa Brown

- There will be 3 teacher luncheons this year instead of breakfasts
- Snacks will be provided for teacher's "munch and mingle"
- Sign up for Hospitality distribution list

Ski Skate & Board – Jeannine Ryan & Kathleen O'Connor

- Save the date November 18-19
- It is the school's biggest fundraiser – you can consign equipment or donate; there will be vendors as well. Start collecting your used winter gear now.
- No helmets, bikes, blades, scooters
- First meeting will be held September 19 at 1pm.

*** Next meeting on October 16 at 7pm. Dr. Harvey, superintendant, will be the guest speaker.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Stephanie Stein, Secretary.