PTO MINUTES September 10, 2014

Welcome to PTO/ overview

We raise funds to support programs for our school.

We provide students with communication folders, pay for buses, books for all the students, etc.

And there is always free babysitting!

1. **President's report – Erika Thornton**
2. **Vice President - Candace Shockley**
3. **Treasurer - Marguerite (Margot) Mitchell**

Budget: proposed gross budget & expense budget for 2014-2015 shared

 Motion to approve budget: budget approved 100%

1. **Secretary - Mara Hochberg**
2. **Membership - Kelly Gillis**

***Watch us Grow***! A membership thermometer to keep track of our membership.

Membership incentives: raffle baskets; One for teachers and one for families/student.

1. **Fundraising - Sheila Carter**

 Fall- Charleston Wrap

 Spring fundraisers

 Andrea Farley assisting

1. **Cultural Enrichment - Meryl Eisenstein**

Speakers & shows tied into education. For example: living history, museums, etc.

**School Reports**

1. **Principal - Mrs. Mulvey**

Great beginning of the year!

259 enrolled students

Kids Voting on November 4th! Looking for support. No school for students/professional development for teachers.

Recruiting for BOKS program to assist the instructor. 7:30-8:25 AM twice a week. TBD

**2. Teacher Report - Mrs. Doherty (4th grade)**

Teacher grants - may be used for ALL materials utilized within the classroom

$200 grant per teacher (all). Teachers *must* be a PTO member to receive the grant. Pumpkin Patch - Joanne Stracqualursi

Sunday, October 19, 2014 11am - 3pm

Looking for big ticket raffle items! If you know or have access to items, please let us know.

New item!!!! Photo booth

Haunted house!

Looking for many volunteers! Bakers for cake walk! Face painters!

Class baskets- Each grade pulls together a themed basket

**Scholastic Book Fair - Candace Shockley**

October 1,2, and 3.

Students visit with their class

Looking for volunteers to help out 1-2 hours.

Will be held during parent/teacher conferences

Sales tax will be charged per book.

**Back to School Night: Thursday, September 18, 2014**

There will be a PTO table. Volunteers needed to staff table

**New Business:**

Parent classroom rep

New PTO website: [southpto.weebly.com](http://southpto.weebly.com)

Mrs. Mulvey's website: Shark Bites

Next meeting Wednesday, October 1, 2014

Meeting adjourned: 7:55 pm