

**MINUTES**  
**Coulson Tough PTO General Meeting**  
**November 3, 2016**

Present at meeting: Julie Hinson, Jessica Waters, Susan McLean, Shawn Creswell, Heather Pine, Josie Torres, Lauren Mouritsen, Angie Short, Jana Graham, Jennifer Domilise, Niki Bailey, Becca Harris, Stevi Venable, Vikki Clove, Amber Oakley, Sheila Perks, Becky Stiles, Sunnye Nowlin

Meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

**Principal's Report, Shawn Creswell**

- Mark Davis from CISD Police met with the grade levels during Red Ribbon Week to provide age appropriate information about drug use and bullying and will provide a bike safety class to kids on December 14<sup>th</sup> during PE
- Tuesday, November 8, Marshall Legacy Foundation will be presenting to 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades about their work training with land mine dogs. 6<sup>th</sup> grade geography night in January will raise funds for this cause.
- Book Study on Resilience starts next week.
- Members of the PTO addressed concerns about people making dangerous left turns around cones as they exit car line.

**President's Report, Heather Pine**

- Thank you to the Fall Fest committee for an wonderful event that raised \$44,000 for the PTO
- Thank you to the Teacher Appreciation committee and everyone who provided items for the mashed potato bar.
- Lots of events coming up including field trips, book fair, Generations Texas week (November 8-12)
- \$1500 has already been raised for the scholarship fund.

**Treasurer's Report, Vikki Clove**

- Budget is attached and shows that fundraising is ahead of schedule and we will soon be deciding the focus of the spring fundraiser
- Beautification funds were used for some bushes and sprinkler repairs
- \$15,000 in educational enhancements will be given to the school
- School Store made \$500 in its first month

**Spirit Wear, Stevi Venable**

- Spirt wear has been successful this year and fall pre-order forms for long sleeve options have gone out.
- All available stock is available on the website

**VP Programs, Stevi Venable**

- Upcoming Field Trips-
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Houston Museum of Natural Science, 11/16-17

- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, George Bush Library in College Station, 11/4 (will use charter buses)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, Sam Houston, February 15-16, will use charter buses
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade, HMNS will present at school on February 9<sup>th</sup>
- We are looking at providing lower grades with more programs that come to the school

**VP Fundraising, Jaime Stickler (not present but presented by Heather Pine)**

- Thank you to everyone who participated in the Fall Festival. We raised \$44,000
- The committee met to discuss improvements for next year's event. If you have any suggestions, please email them to Jaime.

**VP Membership, Courtney Llamas (not present but presented by Heather Pine)**

- Directories are in and were put in teacher's boxes earlier this week

**Book Fair-Lauren Mouritsen**

- Sign up genius has gone out
- Book fair previews will be November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, sales begin November 14<sup>th</sup>

**Room Mom Coordinator-Courtney Weiland**

- Room moms will receive the form letters for holiday celebrations

**Winter Wonderland**-will be ramping up soon. Mrs. Waters has volunteered her room for setup.

**Other Items:**

- Mr. Tough's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday is December 7<sup>th</sup>. We would like to plan something special for him. Any ideas?
- Art Mural grant application was submitted and we should know by next meeting if our request was accepted.
- Next meeting is December 8<sup>th</sup>, which is the same day as the PTO Christmas party. An invite will be sent about the party.

Vikki Clove moved to approve the minutes from the October meeting. Shawn seconded the motion and they were approved by a majority vote of the members present. Meeting adjourned at 2:08pm