

**SCPTA General Membership Meeting
October 1, 2014
Disney Elementary**

Patty Dunn called meeting to order at 9:08 am.

Michelle Boehm, president of Disney PTA gave an update on Disney's PTA. They have 100% faculty participation in PTA along with 340 individual and business memberships in PTA. She talked about how they used last year's EFG card money to build a new sidewalk around the school to aid students.

Dr. Lynn Miller, Disney Principal

Welcomed everyone to Disney. Breakfast was provided by General Services and prepared by R-12 kitchen. She noted that planning of this meeting has been a cooperative effort of the feeder pattern (Disney, Cherokee & Kickapoo).

Table decorations were coordinated by art instructors from all 3 schools. Each principal gets a pumpkin for their school, a leaf sculpture with their name and an owl bag with a Domino's coupon.

The select choirs from Disney, Cherokee and Kickapoo performed together.

Christine Jones, Specialist for Choice & Innovation: SPS Choice Schools Update

New unique programming that falls within "Choice". The motto of this area is "Learning Is Personal" That can mean a lot of things: Gifted Education, IB, Middle College (partnership with OTC), Robberson Community School, WOLF (magnet within our school district). New magnet programs this year include:

Health Sciences Academy @ Mercy Hospital (Fifty 8th grade students attend full time at Mercy with last hour spent at Pershing). It is project-based learning and one-to-one technology.

Academy of Exploration at Discovery Center. The Discovery Center had 2 empty classrooms they only use during the summer, and now the district is utilizing them for this program. It is STEM focus (science, technology, engineering & math). This program is also project-based learning and one-to-one technology.

Tammy Quinn, Director of Quest at Glendale High School

This idea began 5 years ago with Dr. Pearce. Dr. Caldwell was supportive when she came on board. Glendale is the first school in the state of Missouri to offer Quest. It is project-based learning, collaboration, one-to-one technology and critical thinking. This year's program includes 91 freshman and 80 sophomores. It is a school within a school, and utilizes 2 classrooms together.

Jeremiah Mee, Treasurer

The form for SCPTA dues is on the website, and Jeremiah asked all schools to please get their Council dues in.

Kim Wrinkle, Clothing Bank Chair

Kim invited everyone to the sesquicentennial celebration at Sunshine elementary.

The Clothing Bank has served 790 students since July 31. They need boys' clothes sizes 5-10 all the time. Their biggest need is volunteers from 2:30 - 5:00 pm. Everything is automated and easy to run, but they need warm bodies from each school. They do have a group of principals coming to volunteer, and they would love to have teachers come and volunteer as well.

Kim had a chance to speak at a master's in education class at Drury this week. There were fourteen students in that class and most all of them had ideas of how to help the clothing bank.

Patty Dunn, President: There will be a Budget amendment for a Cox Grant. We are applying for a grant for the emergency preparedness. Will wait to see if we get the grant before we make the amendment.

Mary Christiano provided information on how schools can apply for Schwinn's grants for many different areas of safe bicycling.

The RIF distribution is coming up on October 29.

Lori Nelson, Sergeant at Arms

94 in attendance

Only 5 schools not represented

Drew for prizes.

Meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.