

FOUNTAIN WOODS FAMILY ADVISORY COUNCIL

October 2025 Meeting Minutes 10/27/2025 In Person

Attendees: Jaime Patterson, Dawn Pagano, Carlismiry Mercado, Claudia Demitro, Lauren Van Derryt, Jennette Vance, Amanda Rogers, Breean Stumpf, Jess Fitzwater, Dana Caro, Dayna Tims, Christina Moriello, Melissa Cardone

Meeting called to order by Melissa Cardone at 7:08 PM.

September Meeting Minutes Approved by:

- Jaime Patterson and Dawn Pagano

Board Introductions

Melissa Cardone - President, Hannah Yousif - Treasurer, Richelle Miller - Secretary (not present), Monique Day (not present), VP 1, Christina Moriello - VP 2, Dayna Tims - VP 3

Principal's Report

- No members of administration present, nothing to report

Treasurer's Report (Hannah Yousif):

- Handout of treasurer's report for September and October.
- Account Book Ending Balance (October so far): \$14,753.55
- Recent contributions from Fall Book Fair and Pencil Grams

Fundraising

- **Miss Chocolate** -
 - (Monique Day/Dawn Pagano) There was approximately \$9,000 in sales. Dawn and Monique (not present) will confirm with the administration that all pick-ups were completed (only 4 outstanding after pick-up night).
- **Spiritwear**
 - As of 10/27/25, there have been 62 orders placed (totaling 184 items) and approx \$920 made. Jess Fitzwater received recent requests for more 'boy' designs and alumni designs and is working on these. To avoid sending large items into the school for the students to bring home and to avoid the increased shipping fees, large/local orders are being delivered by Jess. The headbands advertised on the website were ordered in August and will be delivered to Jess by the end of the week. As a reminder, new designs will be added through the year and additional flyers will be sent home with students around the holidays.
 - <https://wildandfreespiritwear.com/collections/burlington-township-falcons>
 - Table at Burlington Township Craft Fair (Nov 15th, 2025 9AM - 3pm)
- **Dine to Donate**
 - Amalfi's in Lawrenceville on Thursday, November 20th

- A Facebook event will come through soon and flyers will be distributed after we return from fall break.

Staff Appreciation (Melissa Cardone)

- October - October's event was a pumpkin decorating contest. This was a huge hit with the teachers and students! Students and staff voted for their favorite pumpkin during their lunch period. Photos have been posted to the Facebook group.
- November plan - Nov 21st plans not yet finalized but more than likely each staff member will have a small card delivered in their mailbox.

Fun Night

- **Scarecrow Night** - Scarecrow Night took place on October 16th with a truly wonderful turnout. This annual event was free to Fountain Woods families.
- **Glow Dance** - The event will take place on November 14 6:30-8 tickets will be sold at \$5/student until Nov 10, only children attending will need ticket, hallway will have tattoos and face paint, glow station for sale (cash only), HS being recruited for volunteers

Fall Parties

- Our fall, not Halloween, parties will take place on Thursday, October 30th. The class party times are as follows:
9:10am -10:10am - All 4th grade classes and Ms. Kenkelen's class
10:15am - 11:15am - All 2nd grade classes
11:55am - 12:55pm - All 5th grade classes and Ms. Bouyer's Class
1:30pm - 2:30pm - All 3rd grade classes and Ms. Abrams, Ms. Ashley, Ms. Ballard, Ms. Yago, Ms. Sherlock, and Ms. Stillwagon's classes
- Friendly reminder, class parties are 1 hour and that time includes any set-up and clean-up. Typically, a party includes snacks, drinks, an activity, and a craft. Please keep activity and crafts age appropriate and simple enough to be completed in the allotted amount of time (paint and glue take time to dry!). **Snacks must always comply with the district food allergy policy as well as any allergy or dietary restrictions in your class.**
- All HRPs need to connect with their volunteers at least one more time before the party to confirm that he or she is providing or doing what has been promised. Also, HRPs should remind their volunteers:
 - The time of the party. (*Volunteers will not be allowed to enter early and arriving late will not result in additional party time.*)
 - Only the names provided to me will be able to attend the party and everyone should bring their ID.
 - Any food allergies or dietary restrictions in the class.

Questions/Concerns

- General Reminder: Attendance matters! You must sign-in to at least two meetings to be eligible to vote in May for the 2026-2027 board.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM (Amanda Rogers, Claudia Demitro)