

PTA MEETING 10/4/11

Start time: 3:37

Attendance: Deb Kramen, Beth Amos, Jen Perry, Jenn Gillispie, Anne Greene, Nancy Lemmon, Jody Eber, Jen Jones, Cristina Covey, Leslie Brooks, Michele Lobb, MandiReuter , Christina Zayas, Hope Baier, Tiffany Owen
16 total in attendance

Meeting minutes approved from last month

PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Fall Dance: 10/28

Spaghetti Supper: 12/2 chairperson= Emily Craig

American Ed Week in November

Requests from teachers = Funding request form. Form will be posted on website once approved.

School budgets cut by 10% this year county wide.

Cuts came from teacher "allowance" on classrooms, activities, etc.

Teachers now request \$\$ through school and/or PTA instead of having own discretionary fund.

Forms will be available on website and in office.

School supply kits= Must decide if we will offer service.

Binders were an issue, poor quality – binders already replaced.

Have option of name brand vs. generic.

Pencil cases too small to house their supplies & folders were too weak to hold up.

Try again this year – being more specific by brand, will increase cost – but family can choose to participate.

MUST have school supply lists by January from teachers in order to get bigger discount.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

\$11,688.50 income –

Membership 2,570

Donations 6,240

Spirit Wear 1,026

Yearbook 1,481

Misc. 371.50

\$3,856.01 expenses so far.
Subscriptions 882
Website 500
Planners 788.64
KinderConnect 240.39
Hospitality 927.14
Spirit Wear 215.00
Administrative / supplies 302.84

Direct donations lower than hoped, but still more \$\$ than last year.

Yearbook concerns about \$\$ amount of 5th grade pages. Trying to figure a way to incorporate one line messages. Jenn G to approach yearbook about issues

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

School improvement team 3:30-4:30 on Mondays
In depth look at state requirements,
Admin, teachers, parents may attend

Box tops – committee chairs will be placing containers for collection of box tops & labels.

Chairs will collect from classrooms & cash them in.

Box tops, Grauls&Campbells labels.

Room moms to coordinate with teachers.

Chair person contacts on website & could ask them to collect.

School earned around \$3000 last year

American Education Week:

Visitation:

Morning session 9-11 am

Afternoon session 1:10-3:00

Monday = K morning session

Tuesday = 1st grade morning session

4th grade afternoon session

Tuesday after morning session: Primary grades meeting with a resource teacher of Mathematics GT math. Expectations of rigorous math at 11:15 am

Intermediate meeting 12:30-1:00

Wednesday = 5th grade morning session

Thursday = 2nd grade & preschool morning session

Pre-K = afternoon session

Friday = 3rd grade morning session

Volunteer training daily after morning session 11:00

Breakfast for teachers on Friday by PTA
Hospitality on 11/15 surrounding meetings

Cafeteria help increased!! Would like to thank volunteers – need list of volunteers.
Children can write thank you notes.

Race for Education = March 30 morning!! Friday –day before Spring Break.
PBE race coming up, will visit & see how it goes.
School has to make at least \$6000 for event to be a success

Teachers looking for technology: student desktops (2) laptops (3) netbooks (0)
school wide laptop carts \$20,000 16 laptops (overwhelming), netbook carts (4)
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VICE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Cultural arts committee assemblies
Oct = concert
Nov = Veteran's Day 11/11 – American legion
Dec= African story teller "Ssuuma" \$500
Jan 13/ 18 = dancing scientist \$795
Feb= Linda Fang ancient china storyteller \$440
April/May = "Grow" – orchestra of recycled products \$900

TEACHER'S REPORT

Green school committee – collecting at old glue sticks & old writing utensils = \$0.02
Caitlyn Greer looking into it.

Stopping the use of straws? Asking to look into discontinue using –

PROGRAM REPORTS:

Spaghetti Supper – 6:30, maybe earlier –take out??
Playkeepers until 6:00

Student of the Month:
Starts this Friday – certificates, spirit wear, children select prize

Book Fair – October 24-28th
2 family nights Wed & Fri

Fall Dance: 10/28
Talent show – 2/3 minutes per act
6:30-9:00 new time
Time concerns of talent show – can we incorporate dance & show
PTA trying to do 4 events this year, not sure if we can do more
Try-outs for talent show 10/17 : only one time on stage per child
No crafts at dance, minimum games
Come play, dance. Start show set time, talent show, spirit wear fashion show, dance again
Possibly event t-shirt “7th ‘s got talent”
No drop-offs. Must have parental supervision
Booking DJ - Josh Dougherty – high school DJ

ACTION ITEMS:

Fall dance form
Funding requests form

Box tops people will be contacted
Hospitality for Am Ed week

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