

Oregon PTO Meeting

August 4, 2003

6:30 P.M.

Minutes

Attendance: Kris Pearson, Jamie Okonek, Peggy Bakken, Janine Bessemer, Mary Jo Romero, Britney Smith, Gable Smith, Tami Meier and Amy Miller.

Secretary Report

Correction to June Minutes: Janine Bessemer was not at the June meeting. Kris Pearson made a motion to approve the June Minutes; Mary Jo Romero seconded. Approved.

Treasurers Report

Jamie Okonek had no changes to report. An audit of the 2002-03 books will be done before the September meeting. Janine Bessemer made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report; Britney Smith seconded. Approved.

Fund Raising

Donna Wright was unable to attend, but sent an update to Kris Pearson, who reported that the Fall Fund Raiser is all set. Donna Wright applied to UW-Madison to have PTO volunteers work at the Kohl Center. She requested all sporting events except football. Volunteer Coordinators Amy Miller and Mary Jo Romero discussed adding a line item on the school volunteer forms requesting Kohl Center workers. (*Note: the Volunteer forms will also be available on the PTO web site this fall.*)

Donna Prew is looking into a fundraiser through Photo Express. For each Oregon elementary school family getting portraits, Photo Express would donate \$10 to the PTO.

Donna Wright is also collecting information about the Kemps Milk and Golden Guernsey milk cap collections for education money.

Kris Pearson looked into Employee Matching Funds as a funding source for the PTO. She talked to the HR department at her company, Promega, and learned that they match employee contributions, as do a number of other employers. Donators will need the PTO's non-profit IRS number. Jamie Okonek will check into this. Initially, the PTO will educate parents about this option and provide detailed information upon request. When the process becomes established, we will market it further, including putting information on the web site.

Janine Bessemer reminded the group that ALL fundraising materials need to promote and encourage donations if people choose not to purchase fundraising products. We will not request a "suggested donation" amount. Janine also reminded the group that all fundraisers need to be approved by the school district before being implemented. Forms are available at the District Services office.

Science Fair

Scheduled for Saturday, March 6, 2004 from 3-6 p.m.

Adjourned: 7:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 9, 6:30 p.m. at NKE library

Note: The first hour of the September meeting will be an Informational Social for new members. The formal meeting will start after the Social; parents will be invited to attend but will be given the opportunity to leave before it begins.