

Oregon PTO Meeting

August 1, 2006

Minutes

Attendance: Amy Hermus, Katie Lindell, Dawn Baker, Cathy Kooistra, Cory Whitsell, Marilyn Murphy, Peggy Bakken, Mary Jo Romero

Secretary's Report

Correction: None

Amy Hermus made a motion to approve, seconded by Katie Lindell. Approved

Treasurer's Report

There was no report submitted. The treasurer's position is still in transition and no new accounting program has been selected. The balance in the PTO checking account is about \$4700 and the PYF savings account is approximately \$6000. The remaining funds are in CDs with maturity dates in Sept. '06 and March '07. Peggy Bakken requested no report approval at this time.

Committee Reports

Family Fun Night

Amy Hermus reported that due to a religious scheduling conflict the Barn Dance date needed to be changed. The new date is September 15 from 3:30 until 8:30. An announcement will be placed in the 1st newsletter of the school year. Dawn Baker will prepare a send home flyer with the information about all the activities that will be available.

Memory Book

The committee chair position for the Netherwood Knoll memory book remains open. Tina Girard has expressed interest but has not confirmed so Peggy will contact her.

Staff Appreciation

The PTO did not appreciate the bus drivers at the end of the school year. Various ideas were suggested such as meal gift certificates or the remaining fleece blankets as were given to the crossing guards. Cathy Kooistra informed us that the PVE student council prepared a breakfast for both the drivers and guards. Cory Whitsell said that at RCI they also serve them a breakfast and students perform while they eat. Katie Lindell will follow up on this.

Old Business

PTO has given \$2000 for the early childhood playground. It has been suggested that PTO conduct a special fund raiser for this project however neither Patty Tucker or Kristi Heming are present. This discussion will be rescheduled for a future meeting. Cary Janes needs to provide an update of the financial status of this project.

Repainting of the playground maps was approved in last year's budget. This will need to be done before school starts. Peggy will contact Tom Fisher.

New Business

The date for the September meeting has been changed from the first Tuesday, which is the first day of school, to Wednesday September 6. This meeting will start with an informational session for parents. Committee chairs will prepare some type of presentation and answer questions. Please bring a treat to share for a small reception. The regular business meeting will follow. The dates for PTO sponsored activities will be set at this meeting.

Other opportunities for inviting parents to join PTO were discussed. PVE has a kindergarten ice cream social on August 29 at 6PM. NKE does not hold a similar event however it was decided that PTO will set up a table in the small gym down by the kindergarten classrooms. Coffee, juice and muffins will be served Sept 5 and 6 from 8-8:30AM. Amy Hermus will be there to answer questions. Marilyn Murphy will work with Dawn Baker to prepare an invitational flyer to put in the registration folders.

The school volunteer representatives will be available at back to school night. Peggy will prepare a DVD with a collection of PTO pictures to run on a laptop.

The school kit distribution was a success. Cathy Kooistra shared comments from parents. The PTO and district websites should have a list of exactly what is in each grade's box. When the boxes are ordered, kindergarten parents do not know what school their child will attend. The list for each school is different in content and cost. Therefore, we should not make this available for kindergarten.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:35 P.M.

Next Meeting: September 6, 6:30 P.M.