

The Foot Bridge PTA Meeting

Monday, March 8, 2010

Attendance: Jane Allen, Toni Berg, Ed Cavin, Laura Emms, Merrily Karel, Denise Manda, Gary Robbins, Andy Wetzel, Shelli Wilk

The meeting was opened by President, Laura Emms, at 6:34pm.

Secretary's Report: Correction was made to the cash on hand balance of 1/13/10 as \$10,341.02. A motion was made by Merrily Karel to accept the minutes of the February 8, 2010 Foot Bridge PTA meeting as amended. Second by Jane Allen. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: Our current balance (cash on hand) is \$6,136.44. Denise Manda presented the financial report for period ending February 28, 2010. A corrected report was also provided for the period ending January 31, 2010. Merrily Karel made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented. Second by Andy Wetzel. Motion approved.

Further discussion took place regarding accounting practices of the organization. Denise Manda moved to "Restructure the PTA funds so that all earmarked funds are held in the PTA *Fundraiser Fund* books. All other funds would be held in the PTA *General Fund* books.

Principal's Report: Ed Cavin reported that the annual parent meeting was sparsely attended. School communication became the topic of discussion. A number of suggestions were made, including a monthly calendar of events to be distributed to parents.

Old Business:

Pizza Sales at Science Fair - Denise Manda provided an updated financial report for the event. Our net earnings to date are \$830.71. Merrily suggested that we consider vouchers only next year. The quality of the prebaked pizza was not very good after reheating. All agreed that the pizzas eaten the same day were very good and the value was also good. Shelli also suggested that they consider a different vendor next year, one which offered take-and-bake style.

Gala – It has been officially scheduled for Friday, May 7th. It will be called the "Legacy Builders of Woodbury Inaugural Gala." A letter will go out this week with information regarding this event. Shelli Wilk and Cathy Hickman have agreed to take a lead in this event. Discussion was held regarding the raffles, "Wall of Wine" and games of chance. The event will include dinner, silent auction, live auction and games of chance.

Movie & Math Night – Scheduled for Friday, March 19th, this event will feature the movie "Up." Mr Cavin will lead a fun team math event prior to the movie. An optional hot dog dinner will be provided for \$2 each. The event will be held in the cafeteria. A parent must accompany their student(s). The fun begins at 6:30pm with a movie start time of 7pm. Laura Emms is still in need of volunteers for this event.

Munchkin Markets –

Information and postcards were distributed to all parents of both Footprints and Peace of Mind parents.

eBay Class – Due to a lack of registration, the eBay class will be rescheduled. Only two participants had registered, as of this evening.

Western Night – A DJ has not yet been identified. We did not budget money to pay a DJ, which would cost about \$200 to 250. An alternate solution was recommended by the preschool parent DJ (he wasn't available that night). He suggested that an amplifier and speaker system be set up, utilizing an Ipod loaded with western music appropriate for kids. Denise Manda offered to check into the use of her teenage son's equipment for the event.

Staff Appreciation Breakfast – The Foot Bridge PTA will sponsor a staff breakfast during Staff Appreciation Week in April. All staff, including Peace of Mind staff, will be invited to the breakfast.

Committee Reports:

Kemps Milk Tops – Andy Wetzel provided a report that showed 1,742 caps collected, He will submit the caps when we reach 2,000. Our school year goal is 4,000 caps.

Membership Drive – Andy Wetzel is our only new member so far. The program was announced to the students during assembly, resulting in big cheers. Laura Emms made a decision to commit to the program, regardless of whether we reach our membership goal. Underwater Adventures will be presenting "River to Sea" on April 16th during the school day. The cost to PTA will be \$240.00.

Staff Appreciation Week – A volunteer is still needed to chair the events. Thus far, we have committed to host a Staff breakfast on Tuesday, April 20th.

Childcare – Discussion concluded in the decision to continue offering childcare during PTA meetings, in hopes of attracting additional parents.

New Business:

Wooddale Fun Zone – The invitation was sent via email and in the newsletter to join Footprints families for a rollerskating event at The Wooddale Fun Zone on Wednesday, March 17th from 6-8pm. Thanks to Toni Berg for coordinating the event.

Garbage Run – In celebration of Earth Day, Greg Allen has invited the community of Footprints Academy to participate in the "Garbage Run," tentatively set for the morning of Saturday, April 17th. Specific details will be announced soon.

Thank you to Thomas Emms for providing child care for the meeting. Jane Allen moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Andy Wetzel. Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, April 12, 2010 6:30pm in the library