

PSO Meeting
October 14, 2013
Mary Woodward Library 6:30 p.m.

Board Members: Karen Emerson, Cheryl Payne

Karen welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order.

September 16, 2013 Minutes reviewed and approved. The morning meeting's end time needed to be changed from p.m. to a.m.

Volunteer Coordinator Report:

Volunteer hours for Sept 2013 were 860 Sept 2012 were 547. The increase is probably due to the Jog-a-thon occurring in September this year. Open positions are President Elect & Cultural Fair. It is still on the list to follow up with last year's Cultural Fair committee. If you need a volunteer badge, please let Jill know.

Please keep logging your hours both at school and at home, and please ask if you don't know what that means.

Jill is still working on the Directory. There are difficulties transferring student info from the new District software. Hopefully it will be finished this week.

Mary Woodward spirit wear will be on sale for the Ambassadors during conferences Oct. 24 & 25 in the lobby. They are new designs so please come check them out!

Treasurer Report:

Cheryl went through the current year's expenses, focusing on October's.

Old Business

RISO:

Karen shared her research for a new RISO machine. A brand new EZ221 will cost \$2995 and that includes the machine, delivery, installation, training, and removal and disposal of the old machine. A Maintenance Agreement is suggested at \$.0025 per copy paid quarterly. The agreement would cover any necessary service calls and replacement parts.

Without an agreement, a service call would be a minimum of \$150 plus parts and labor. RISO machines do not have many parts, so the concern would be about the \$1000 drum.

Jerry said that the school would continue to purchase the \$25 containers of ink and the \$40 packages of 500 masters.

There were a few questions about who uses the machine and how it is used. After it was shared that teachers use it, and that it is the only machine in the district that can handle construction paper, there was a unanimous show of hands supporting the purchase of the machine.

It was discussed that a log would be posted in order to track use between the PSO and the staff.

Play ground Equipment:

After we make a decision about the RISO, Karen will research playground equipment options. We are still hopeful that something could happen in the spring.

New Business

Foundation for Tigard Tualatin Schools Enrichment Classes:

Moderately priced enrichment classes are being organized by the Foundation. They will start in January and information will be e-mailed to families in December. The Foundation is currently looking for instructors who have either a class proposal or a passion for a particular topic. Science and art are high on the need list. The inspiration for these classes came from the perceived lack of depth in the district's TAG program, but the classes will be open to all students. Fees will only cover materials and a stipend for the instructor.

Committee Reports

Scrip:

Orders are due by tonight's meeting. A copy of the Chinook book was passed so parents could see the contents.

Picture Day:

Picture Day was great! Photographers & teachers were right on time. Lots of supplies left over in the loft for next year. Retake day is Oct. 29 for those that were absent. A great group of volunteers turned out to help.

Jog-a-thon:

Jog-a-thon was wet & wonderful! Envelopes are still coming in and the money is still being counted. To receive Eagle Bucks to be used at the Book Fair envelopes had to be in today. They were due last Friday. So far without company matches we are looking at \$28,000 in pledges. Company match should be about \$1500-\$2000. Thanks to the kids and parents for braving the rain.

Box Tops/Labels:

This year's goal is \$2000 in Box Tops and 7500 points in Labels. So far this year, we have collected \$250 in Box Tops and banked some bonus points. Lebaron, Miller and Krebs are in the lead for contest #1. Jessica is watching the program websites for bonus opportunities.

Health Screening:

Event was on 10/3 and we had enough volunteers to get through all the students almost on time. The Lions brought some really cool cameras that took pictures of the students' eyes and determined if there were any issues. Forms will be going home, and any student with a referral will have a cover letter from Leslie explaining their options. Thank you to Chris Achour and America's Best who brought a crew of volunteers.

Specialty Fundraiser:

We do not have a final number for the Burgerville night yet. She was supposed to get that to us soon. Mrs. McCombs' class won the milkshake party. Our next fundraising event will be piccolo mondo at both stores. We are in the process of getting that set up for Monday Nov. 11th to Wednesday Nov. 13th from 9:30am-7:30pm and Nov. 14th 9:30am-8pm. Coupons and loyalty punch cards will not be accepted.

Missoula Children's Theatre:

Auditions are tonight. The tour actors arrived on Sunday and are excited to start working with our kids. We have 50 kids signed up to participate, and on target to break even for this event.

We need 4 parent volunteers on Saturday morning at 11am and 2pm to help with costumes (11am) and make up (2pm) before the shows on Saturday. Neither is complicated but no children signed up to be Assistant Directors and it's a lot of kids for the Tour Actor/Directors (TADs) to do without some assistance. We have a professional photographer coming to photograph our kids which will take some extra time, so it would be helpful to have some parents for that. It was suggested to try to recruit the Fowler drama kids.

We hope everyone will come see the show on Saturday 3pm and 5:30pm. It is 60-70 minutes, no intermission and very child friendly. Ticket forms went home today. Pre-order tickets are \$. Starting Thursday and at the door, they are \$5.

Jenny judged the coloring contest and the winners are hanging in the lobby. The event is on target to break even financially. Parent volunteers will set up the chairs on Friday and parents will be asked to clean up after the shows.

Professional photos will be taken of each cast member. DVDs will also be professional done and available after the second show. Three classrooms will get workshops.

Book Fair:

Setup is Friday the 18th 12-2. Signupgenius.com link for cashier shifts Monday through Friday. Monday is the preview day. Each classroom will come in for 15 minutes to hear the rules and look at the books. Flyer went home last week. Latest Wimpy Kid book is available for pre-order.

Staff Appreciation:

Luncheon is Thursday October 24 and Laura is using signupgenius.com for signups. Dishes should be delivered by 11.

Art Literacy:

Ansel Adams photo paper projects are on display. Our fee has been paid to the district office. Volunteer turnout is good. Next artist is Manet.

Enrichment:

Wednesday is the registration deadline. Most classes start October 28. We're waiting for Jerry's okay regarding December 19th for the enrichment assembly.

Science Fair:

Two kickoff Assemblies are scheduled for Nov 1 (9-10 and 1-2). We would like a \$1500 budget so that we can have OMSI come with exhibit tables and demonstrations the night of the science fair. We will be doing the sling shot experiments with 3rd grade classes during the week after the assembly. We're looking into a possible bridge building project for the 4th grade classes.

Family Events:

For November 22, we have sent in the request for the movie night license for Monsters University and that should be here soon. Also have the DJ in place for the mother/son and father/daughter dance nights and the photographer.

Holiday Bazaar:

The event is on December 7. 33 vendors so far. We will be expanding into the gym. Vendors will receive more setup time. There is a banner plus 20 signs that will be placed around town. Pictures with Santa, food, and Ambassadors will be there to help. 4th and 5th grade student vendors will be there. Music and decorations are being planned. It's being well-advertised. Some new vendors are being prescreened to ensure high quality products are being offered.

Yearbook:

We will be starting the cover contest in the next week that will run until right before Thanksgiving. Our theme for this year will be Up Up and Away.

Auction:

It is currently scheduled for March 1. SurveyMonkey was used to get opinions on a variety of auction topics.

Principal Report:

We received \$6650 from the Foundation. We are using the funds for math enrichment classes. Art in the Burbs is this weekend. Grants pay for Arts related items. The Legislature is promising more money to school next school year. Jerry believes reducing class size would be the first priority D.A.R.E. (*Drug Abuse Resistance Education*) no longer has funding from the Tigard Police Department. G.R.E.A.T. (*Gang Resistance Education and Training*) will hopefully be brought in for 4th and 5th graders. Site Council has an opening and 3 parents volunteered. An election will take place during conferences. Common Core State Standard Open House info night will be Tuesday November 19 at 6:30. Some of our students may get to take a pilot sample test towards the end of the year. There is a report card committee that is working on what they will look like with the new standards. Behavior has to be completely separate from grades.

President Report:

Newsletter entries are due to Kayleen by Wednesday, October 16 at 8 PM.

Art in the Burbs is this weekend – volunteer and/or attend! Job descriptions are available.

Save your bottles for Caring Closet bottle drive on Wednesday, October 23.

Jill and Karen attended a district Leaders meeting. Only parents and guardians can volunteer without paperwork. Grandparents need to complete volunteer applications and submit them to Judy Sweeney.

Tigard Turns the Tide works to prevent underage drinking and drug use. Is someone interested in being the MW liaison?

Maureen Wolf hosted a discussion with Ben Unger and Margaret Doherty. Both Reps prioritize education and want to hear ideas about how to get sustainable school funding (similar to Gain Share).

District online survey: www.ttsdschools.org then click on [2013 Online Community Survey](#) under Fast Links on the right. The School Board wants our input on how we would prioritize spending NEW money!

Karen threw out the idea of having conversations about parent topics. Our meetings have become committee reports, but there is no reason not to discuss issues affecting our kids.

Meeting Adjourned at 8 p.m.