

PSO Meeting
April 14, 2014
Mary Woodward, Library, 6:30 p.m.

Board Members: Karen Emerson, Judy Swiger, Cheryl Payne, Jill Weinstein

Karen welcomes everyone and calls the meeting to order.

March 8, 2014 minutes reviewed and approved unanimously.

Volunteer Coordinator: The volunteer hours for March 2014 are 727 hours and last year's volunteer hours were 775. There are openings for all of the board positions and the openings for committee chairs are: Room Parent Coordinator, Friday Flyer, Jog-a-thon, Health Screening, Picture Day, Holiday Bazaar, Spring Fundraiser, Culture Fair, and Carnival. Most of the positions were held by 5th grade parents who will not have kids attending here next year. Judy Swiger will put together the Friday Flyers for the upcoming school year.

Treasurer Report: All of the receipts for the spring fundraiser are in and we are under budget by \$6000. The panels have been purchased.

Old Business

Playground Equipment – No report.

New Business

All 5 board positions are open for nominations until the May meeting when we will officially nominate candidates and take a vote.

After-School class insurance coverage: One vendor is not a business or district employee so she is not covered under the school insurance. The board voted that she be covered by PSO insurance and moving forward, we will take this on a case by case basis.

Committee Reports

Specialty Fundraising: Pizzacotto will be April 15th. We will get a percentage of their sales for the entire day. If you can't make it to Pizzacotto for the dinner hour, you can drop in and buy a gift certificate and it will count towards the sales. Biscuits will be April 30th, from 5-8.

Family Events: At the Mother/Son event, there were 48 families. All went well. They will probably use the same DJ for next year because he is reasonably priced and does a good job.

Scrip: There is a deadline today and the next deadline is in 2 weeks.

Box Tops/Labels: We collected 12,500 boxtops. The 3rd contest ends May 30th, with the winner getting a popsicle party. The current leaders are Smith, LeBaron and Zell.

Staff Appreciation: This will run May 5th-9th and the theme is “Our Staff Rocks”. The staff room will be transformed into a back stage room. Ambassadors will do door decorations.

Culture Fair: This will be 2 weeks from Friday, on May 2nd. There will be an assembly at 1:00 pm with a parade of nations and there will be a native group telling a story and dancing. The evening events will consist of performances, food, activities, such as tortilla making, paper lanterns, masks and origami. They are in desperate need of volunteers to pick up and serve food, set up tables, taking down tables and chairs at the end. A sign up genius email will be coming out soon. There will be ticket presales; they are \$.50 each or 12 tickets for \$5. There will be enough food to make it a family dinner.

Art Literacy: May 5th is the year end meeting and volunteer appreciation. May 12 -23 the art gallery will be up.

Enrichment: We have found an alternative to what was originally being researched for the 2nd Enrichment Assembly. A parent has recommended Oregon Disability Sports perform a basketball game in wheelchairs. There will be 2 different assemblies so all of the kinders can see it and it will be less crowded in the gym with the two performances. It will be on May 23rd. They have asked for \$150 for the two assemblies and we usually pay \$700 for one assembly. There was a motion to donate \$500 to Oregon Disability Sports for the assemblies and a Mary Woodward PSO will receive a Bronze Medal Sponsorship. It is a nonprofit organization and they are grateful for any donations to help with their cost.

Yearbook: It has been proof read and they are getting pictures in from the mother/son event.

Carnival: The theme is “Out of this World”. We are looking for Booth Reps for each class. We also need a 5th grade parent to run the dunk tank.

Ambassadors: Stuff the Bus started today and will end with the actual stuffing of a bus at 8:50 a.m. on Friday the 25th.

Principal’s Report: PSO helped to fund more hours for reading assistants. The district brought up with additional benefit costs we will need to end our reading assistant jobs early due to the hours worked until now. If an employee hits 600 hours for the fiscal year, then PERS kicks in, which is new this year. The district did have this in their budget. Next year the district will have to be careful who is placed within specific funding for Reading Rocks and reading assistants. The Meridian Program (behavior program) will be coming to MW from Metzger because their student population is so high and ours is low. They will be in the portable building next to the field. There will be a letter going out to parents in May with information about the program.

President’s Report: There is a district budget meeting this week. Newsletter items are due Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.