

PSO Meeting  
November 17, 2014  
Mary Woodward Cafeteria, 8:30am

Board Members: Karen Emerson, Carlene Turpen, Cheryl Payne, Jenna Smith

Karen welcomed everyone to the meeting. The meeting started out with a presentation by Neal Brown who is a local realtor in Tigard. He is interested in opening up a YMCA in downtown Tigard using a bond measure and he is collecting signatures. The facility would take advantage of the Fanno Creek trail system and would help activate downtown Tigard. There hasn't been a traffic study yet of the area. The petition was passed around for PSO members to sign.

The October 18, 2014 minutes were reviewed and there were 5 typos. The minutes were approved unanimously pending fixing the grammatical errors.

**Treasurer Report:**

The Jog A Thon is winding down and we are finishing up collecting employee matches. We are just short of the goal \$27,800. There is about \$8k-\$12k more employee matches to collect. The Holiday Bazaar was cancelled. Missoula Children's Theater is done. Burgerville, 5-Guys, and the movie tickets specialty fundraisers have concluded. We did not have 100% room parent participation so Cheryl will manage those classrooms.

**Volunteer Coordinator:**

Volunteer hours to date are 658.27 including Art Lit, Book Fair, MCT, and ambassadors. Carlene reminded everyone to log their hours and if you can't, send her an email. If you have email messages that you'd like sent out to volunteers, please send the email to Carlene as soon as possible so she can spread the messages out.

**Old Business:**

There is no update on the playground.

The auction fundraiser was discussed. An online auction is possible. There have been a few people interested in helping. We need to find a location and start collecting auction items because those take time. We have passed the deadline for including the cruise but Disney tickets might still be possible. There might be rumors that there won't be an auction but there will be. Some of the big items that raise money are the parking spots, donated birthday parties, and teacher parties.

**New Business:**

The holiday bazaar was cancelled because of the late start in organizing. Vendors went elsewhere. The goal is to have at least 50 vendors. Next year, we will start earlier. The idea of a kid-only bazaar was discussed so the students that have been working on items to sell can still sell them to the Mary Woodward families (possibly the Friday before school gets out for winter break, family movie night, student store).

**MCT:**

There was no update.

**Box Tops:**

There will be an update in the Friday newsletter of who is in the lead and the current contest ends December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Art Lit:**

There are three classes left for the current artist. There have been lots of volunteers for this project. The totem poles will be kiln dried during November and December and put on display in the library. The next artist will start in January.

**Science Fair:**

The science fair was rescheduled because of the snow day. There were 180 entries which is about 40% of the school. House of Reptiles will be there along with extra demonstrations. They still need help reviewing and setup which starts at 1pm. The science fair assembly was a big hit.

**Scrip:**

Scrip is due today until 2:30pm. Columbia is offering a store pass which is good for 4 people and expires January 4th if you spend \$50 in gift cards.

**Specialty Fundraisers:**

The Biscuits Café fundraiser is tomorrow night. The owners are a family member of a Mary Woodward family and last year they had to close early because of low turnout. This year we are doing a shorter window from 5-7:30pm and its at the Barrows location. We will know in late December or January if we won the candy collecting contest. We collected \$81 for the Valley movie tickets.

**Family Events:**

This Friday is the family movie night. Doors open at 6pm and water and snacks will be for sale. Despicable Me II will be shown and it costs either \$5 per family or one can of food donation.

**Yearbook:**

On November 26<sup>th</sup>, the cover contest ends. It will be judged after Thanksgiving. Please upload pictures sooner rather than later for inclusion in the yearbook.

**Staff Appreciation:**

The staff cookie exchange will be taking place in December and we need lots of bakers. We will also be collecting recipes.

**Principal's Report:**

At the Common Core parent night at Fowler there were seven parents from Mary Woodward that came and about 150 parents total from all the schools. On the Tigard/Tualatin website under the Curriculum section there are links to the Power Point presentations that were shown that night. There are also links to Common Core websites for more information.

The Book Fair chairperson was thanked for a great Book Fair as well as the Science Fair co-chairs.

Report Cards will in a new format which is more reflective of the Common Core standards. There is some concern that the format is more complex and time consuming.

**President's Report:**

A reminder that newsletter entries need to be submitted by Wednesday night at 8pm.

The Foundation is selling tickets for a Trailblazer game and Dirty Dancing Musical. A portion of the tickets sales go to the Foundation.

There will be no PSO meeting in December.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40am.