

Mary Woodward PSO Meeting
March 17, 2017 - 8:30 am

Board Members Present: Wendy Jenkins, Megan Van de Pitte, Tracy Johnson, Shelly Smelser and Cheryl Payne.

Board Member Absent: none

Minutes were read and unanimously approved for the meeting held on February 17, 2017.

Principal's Report:

Mr. Nihill handed out diagrams of the proposed changes to Mary Woodward Elementary school to make the school more secure. The plans are not final and construction is not scheduled to start until the summer of 2018. There might be the opportunity to have the project started in Fall of 2017, but only if the contractor's who bid for the work, would do their construction after school hours. The plans handed out by Mr. Nihill were collected, as they are not finalized.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Judy Swiger, the parent who has is substituting while the librarian is out, brought up an idea to the PSO President that other schools are doing to raise money for their PSO. It's call a "Book Waterfall". Donations of books from kids and parents at the school would be organized by reading level and sold for \$1 cash/book. This way "new-to-you" books would be in the hands of children prior to the summer break. It's goal is to raise some money and giving kids the opportunity to read books that looked interesting to them. One school make \$1,000 with this project. Discussions ensued about donating and then having kids pick books for free, location, timing and staffing for the activity. This project is not finalized.

Treasurer's Report:

*Expenses are starting to come in for the auction.

*Family Events - currently shows a net profit of \$3,340.53 which is primarily from the Daughter Dance and the Laser Tag event. The Daughter Dance is expected to bring in a profit of around \$1,750. Of this this \$1,750, about \$750 was profit from the flowers (corsages) made and sold by Kari Vandergriff and her mother. A round of applause was given to Kari for the generous time and talent she and her mom spent on this event.

*eScrip and SCRIP - the two accounts should be summed together to reflect the net profit from these activities so far. There is an outstanding deposit.

*Local Business Events - deposits were from the candy buyback program and the Chipotle fundraiser.

*Family Events - currently is reflecting the prepaid expenses for the upcoming events and the deposit.

*Missoula Children's Theatre - made \$1,000 last year. This event was originally a breakeven event.

Committee Reports:

*Family Events - Tonight is Family Bingo Night. The Board Game event for K- 2 will be after school on May 5th. The Son Event (Boys Dance) is scheduled for May 5th.

- Daughter Dance - Was a huge success. Profits doubled the prior year. Profits from sale of flowers was \$750. Huge thank you to Kari Vandergriff and her mother.

-Bingo Night - Tonight is Bingo night. Jerry Nihill will be the master of ceremonies for the evening.

-Son Dance - Scheduled for May 5th

-Board Game Day - Scheduled for right after school May 5th for ages K-2.

*Art Lit - Ancient Egypt was a huge success. Kids really loved this project. April 5th is the next training for Gustav Klimt.

*Auction - Cheryl Reed is helping the committee with securing desserts for the event. So far they have 82 RSVPs received. They already have \$1,100 in party sales paid for. ORCHARD'S HARDWARE was very helpful and generous in donating inventory to a class project. Heather Listy asked opinions on certain items to put on-line prior to the auction, like Mrs. Brown's offer to make a family a meal.

*Carnival - We need volunteers to help shadow 4 of the 5 committee members who are moving on to Fowler next year.

*Missoula Children's Theatre - The production will be "Jack & the Beanstalk". Auditions will be October 30 and the programs will be on Saturday, November 4th.

*Local Business Events/Specialty Fundraising -

3/21 Pizzacato, 4/4 McMennamin's at the Greenway Pub and 4/18 at Mod Pizza.

Principal's Report:

Projections for the 17-18 class year looks to be 4 kindergarten classrooms based on the number of children already registered. Mrs. Morrow will become a full-time 1st grade teacher the balance of the year. Mrs. White will be retiring this year.

Staff Appreciation: This activity will be over 4 day the first week of May.

9:59 am - Meeting was adjourned.