

June PTO Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 3rd, 2013

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM by Tammie Ciszewski. Motion made to accept treasurer's report and May minutes by Julie Sobush. Second by Megan Reuter. Vote was unanimous.

Principal's Message:

- It's been a great year and can't believe it is over already.
- We are excited for the carnival this Friday.

Committee Reports:

- **Market Day**
 - There will be a July sale this year. It will be in conjunction with Orchard Lane. Order forms will be going out with orders this week.
- **Box Tops**
 - Please continue to save Box Tops over the summer.
- **6th Grade Committee** (no report)
- **Creek Crawl**
 - A letter has been written to ask for business sponsors for donations for the Creek Crawl and has begun to be handed out to various businesses.
 - October 11th will be the date of the Creek Crawl.
 - We have received quotes for the t-shirts and have gotten quotes that were much less than last year. The shirts will be white with blue lettering.
 - Still looking for a chair for Creek Crawl.
 - T-shirt design contest is over and the kids have voted. The winner will be announced at the carnival on Friday June 7th.
- **Skate Night** (no report)
- **Campbell's Soup Labels** (no report)
- **Tyson Project A+** (no report)
- **Kindergarten Orientation**
 - Went well. There were approximately 45 families that were at orientation.
- **Dr. Seuss Night**
 - We are looking for a teacher to take over Dr. Seuss Night for next year.
- **Basket Raffle**
 - The basket raffle raised \$2400
- **Spaghetti Dinner**
 - The spaghetti dinner raised \$375 due to walk in dinners that did not pre-register.
- **Assemblies**
 - Need to ask Kaiti Marie if she will still be handling the assemblies next school year.
 - There is a catalog of assemblies that we have used to pick assemblies but there are some that were very well received over the past years – Jump Rope and Book Authors.
 - Anna Mack to contact teachers to ask for ideas or assemblies.
- **Carnival**

- We were short on volunteers but after sending a paper letter home there are now plenty of volunteers.
- Next school year need to put more information out about the carnival for students and parents who have not attended a carnival in years past.
- Next school year we will have hot dog on carnival day. This year students will be eating lunch in their classrooms either hot lunch or cold lunch for approximate 1 hour. Teachers will have activities for kids during this time.
- Megan Reuter will put whatever information she has together about where we order things from so the next person to chair the carnival will have the information.
- If volunteers are taking children home after the carnival they will need to let the teachers know – they do not need to go to the office. This will be communicated at the volunteer check-in and with the information packet.
- 9:00 is start time for carnival
- **Spring Play**
 - All reviews were great!
 - Hoping that this is something that can be done again next school year.
- **Spirit Wear (no report)**
- **Coke Rewards (no report)**
- **Memory Book**
 - Books are at school and are to be handed out on Thursday June 6th.
- **Teacher Appreciation**
 - A thank you to everyone who donated. It was appreciated by the teachers and staff.
- **Entertainment Books**
 - We have signed to sell books again.
 - We will have a table at form and fees and at open house to hand out books and explain to parents about the books. They will not be in teachers classrooms next school year.
 - We are getting 250 books at the same profit level as previous years.
 - Entertainment books will be providing lots of incentives for sold books along with classroom incentives.
 - There will be a two week window to return payment or books.
- **Cousin Subs Fundraiser (no report)**
- **School Supplies**
 - Everything is up and running.
 - Packs will be delivered at form and fees days.

Old Business

- **Gaga Ball**
 - No news from building and grounds on the proposal that Aaron Pauley sent in. He will be checking on it again along with Ms. Walden.

New Business

- **Summer Literacy/Math Incentive**
 - The literacy/math specialists are putting together a packet for kids to due over the summer and if it returned they will get an incentive.

- Jen Walden asked for \$250 for incentives. Laurie Doyle makes a motion to pay \$250 for incentives. Second by Tracie Maxie. Motion Passes.
- **Book Drive**
 - Have a book drive next school year for families to donate books that their kids have out grown. These books can be used in either the classrooms or for the library.
- **Teacher Life Recognition**
 - PTO would like to give teachers a small gift card for life events – marriage, baby, adoption, retirement starting June 1st 2013.
 - Ms. Dempsey makes motion to spend \$125 on gift cards for various teachers. Mr. Pauley seconds. Motion passes.
 - This will be added to the budget for next school year.
- **PTO Website**
 - Anna Mack has offered to make a PTO website and will work on over the summer. Jen Wesolowski will help to keep website updated.
 - Will have a link to the PTO website on the main Poplar Creek webpage.

Open Discussion:


- There was a discussion about the classroom directories. Many families may not be aware that the directory is on infinite campus. Something to highlight next school year so parents are aware of it.
- For important events and news – paper copies should be sent home and not on Friday Folder on the website.
- Ellie Ewens will be attending school board meetings if possible to keep up on district news and information and report if anything should be highlighted at PTO. She is also going to contact other New Berlin Schools PTO's to get more information about what works and doesn't work for their schools.

President's Message:

- Thanks for coming!

Motion to Adjourn:

- Aaron Pauley made a motion to adjourn meeting at 6:56, seconded by Paula Kneprath, passed unanimously.

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