

## **October PTO Meeting Minutes**

### **Monday, October 6th, 2014**

Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM by Tammie Ciszewski. Motion made to accept treasurer's report by Lori Doyle and second by Katie Ressman.

#### **Principal's Message:**

- Thank you to all of the volunteers and the committee for the hard work that went into the Creek Crawl. Thank you also to our sponsors and to all of the family's that donated.
- Today was blue shirt day at PC to highlight bullying. On Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup> and Thursday November 20<sup>th</sup> there will be parent education meetings on bullying. More information will be coming out soon.
- Kate O'Sullivan and Brady Reinke are working with the bus company on behavior related incidents. They are meeting with the bus company on Wednesday October 8<sup>th</sup> and will discuss strategies on how to handle unacceptable behaviors.
- There are school improvement teams made up of teachers that will work on 5 different areas. These teams are parent engagement, behavior management, intervention, culture and climate, and 20<sup>th</sup> century learning – college and career readiness.

#### **President's Message:**

- Just a reminder there will now be a raffle for attendees of the PTO meetings. Each parent or teacher will receive one ticket for each PTO meeting they attend. In December and May there will be a drawing for parents and teachers for a \$25 gift card.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- **Market Day**
  - Pick-up is Thursday October 9<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-5:30
- **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Committee**
  - Meeting tomorrow October 7<sup>th</sup>
  - Concessions went OK at Creek Crawl
  - 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be selling Smencials starting October 17<sup>th</sup>. These are smelly pencils. They will be sold for \$1 each.
  - Boston Store Books are also for sale - \$5 per book.
  - A bake sale may be done during book fair week by the front office – per federal regulations bake sales can longer be in the cafeteria during lunch hours.
- **Creek Crawl**
  - Everything went very well and we were lucky to have a beautiful weather.
  - We went through 810 hot dogs, all of the chips and juice that were donated by families.
  - Aldi could not donate to PTO's (from their corporate office) but the manager gave a large donation out of his own pocket to help cover expenses.
  - There is a survey that we are asking parents to take to determine if there are any improvements to be made for next year.
- **Skate Night**
  - Will be Tuesday November 4<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 at Waukesha SkateLand.
- **Box Tops**

- There is a new chair for box tops – Cindy Bielinski
- Classroom competition will be in the fall
- **Campbell's Soup Labels**
  - Please save these labels and send them into school. There are no set dates for these labels to be collected – they can be collected all year long.
- **Tyson Project A+**
  - Continue to collect and send in these labels. They are on Tyson frozen chicken products and are worth \$0.24 for each label.
- **Coke Rewards**
  - These are codes that are on Coke products – bottle caps and on packs of soda. Continue to save and send into school.
- **Kindergarten Orientation (no report)**
- **Dr. Seuss Night**
  - This committee is generally run by the teachers and they are having a difficult time finding a chair to run it this year
  - We may possibly change the format so it is easier to organize
- **Basket Raffle (no report)**
- **Spaghetti Dinner (no report)**
- **Assemblies**
  - Waiting to schedule assemblies this year to see if the rates on the assemblies' prices go down during the school year.
- **Carnival (no report)**
- **Spring Play (no report)**
- **Spirit Wear**
  - We will be going with Chappel for spirit wear
  - The order form is being finalized and hope to have samples available at conferences.
  - They will be ready for pick up the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December
  - This is the only spirit wear order for the year
- **Memory Book**
  - The photographer was here during Creek Crawl and took pictures for the yearbook.
  - There was also an all school picture taken during the day of the Creek Crawl.
- **Teacher Appreciation**
  - We have new chairs for this committee
- **Save Around Books**
  - We are not selling Entertainment Books this year instead we will be selling Save Around Books.
  - These books will be \$20 and have local and national coupons. Poplar Creek will receive \$10 from each book that is sold.
  - We are planning on having a table at Parent Teacher Conferences (Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, Oct 28<sup>th</sup>, and Nov 6<sup>th</sup>) to sell the books. They are good for the 2015 calendar year.
  - Forms will also be coming home for anyone who wants to purchase a book.
- **Restaurant Fundraisers (formally Cousin Sub Fundraiser)**
  - The Qdoba fundraiser from September raised \$140.
  - Elizabeth S. from Ms. Apollos class won the gift card for having the most flyers with her name on them during the fundraiser.

- The next fund raiser is Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup> from 6-10 at Cherry Berry. Poplar Creek receives 15% of all sales – no flyer is needed.
- Other fundraisers that have been confirmed for this school year are Cousins – November 6<sup>th</sup>, Culvers – either December 3<sup>rd</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup>, Quaker Stake and Lube in 2015, and Cousins in May.
- **Book Fair**
  - November 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> is the Fall book fair.
  - Mary Nolan is a possible co-chair for this committee.
- **Chinooks Baseball Game (no report)**
- **PTO Social**
  - Will not be doing it this school year

### Old Business

### New Business

- **Dinner for Teachers during Conferences**
  - Tammie to coordinate a date with Brady when to supply dinner for the teachers during conferences.


### Open Discussion:

- **Funds Request**
  - Jen Wesolowski asked for funds approval for the following:
    - 6<sup>th</sup> grade: \$2000
    - PTO expenses: \$100
    - Raffle License: \$50
    - Student Financial Support: \$500
    - Video Conferences: \$2000

Motion to approve made by Katie Ressen and second by Kelly Timmers. Vote was unanimous.

### Motion to Adjourn:

- Deb Dempsey made a motion to adjourn meeting at 7:04 seconded by Allison Rodgers.



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