

Orchard Primary PTA General Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 6, 2013

7:00 p.m. - Library

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Jennifer Fournier.

Meeting Minutes from 4/8/13 were approved as is:

The motion to accept as is: Kim Bauer

2nd by Lauren Rienas

All in favor. No one opposed. Motion carries.

Treasurer's Report:

Katherine Lahr reviewed her April 2013 Treasurer's Report with the group.

The motion to accept the Treasurers Report as is: Cindy Jones

2nd by Kim Bauer

All in favor. No one opposed. Motion carries.

Finished Business:

Family Movie Night - Movie night was held on April 26th and we watched the movie Wall-e. We had one unexpected expense and had a purchase a new movie for the night of the show. We donated the movie to the O/P Library. There were about 60 people in attendance, about half as many as the winter movie night. We are considering moving it in early March next year. We all thought there were too many spring activity conflicts that evening, otherwise the attendance would have been higher. Overall the people that came enjoyed it and thanked the PTA for hosting it.

2013/2014 Fall Fundraiser – A committee met with 4 companies earlier in the month to select one company to use for our fall fundraiser. The committee selected Morley Candy. Jennifer Fournier is going to be meeting with Dan Morley on May 9th to set up a contract. We are also considering using Fundraising Co. of America to do a popcorn sale in the spring of 2014.

BW3 Fundraiser held on May 5th – No update on the fundraiser was available at the meeting because the event was held the day before the meeting. We will find out how the fundraiser went and then put it in our next newsletter in June.

Current Business:

4th Grade Field Trips – Mrs. Howden came and presented to the group. The 4th grade is taking 3 field trips this year and need some extra funds beyond the \$840 budgeted by the PTA. Kim Webster made a motion to match the extra funds we gave to the 3rd Grade at the meeting in April. That amount was \$500. The motion was 2nded by Lauren Rienas. All in favor. No one opposed. Motion carries.

Apples for Students Update – Jennifer received an email from this program that said we need to make a purchase now for the points that have been collected this year. We are not able to carry them over as we once thought. In about a half a year we gathered up approx. 37,000 pts. The group was in favor of using the points to purchase new playground toys and save them for the Fall of 2013. The thought is that this is something that the whole school will be able to use, and that maybe next year we can find a different way to divide the points between the grades. Jen McCarty also brought up a point to put in the next newsletter to have people save their Vinckier's receipts over the summer and turn them in next fall. Jennifer also has some saved from this spring that we can use next fall.

Teacher Supplies for Fall 2013 – The PTA Board made a proposal to give each teacher \$100 dollars to use in the Fall for school supplies. We have 28 teachers, so we have budgeted for \$2,800. We were able to set this money aside by doing extra fundraisers during this school year. Jennifer is going to get this information out to the teachers. Jen McCarty made a motion to give the teachers \$100 each for school supplies. It was 2nded by Heather Throop. All in favor. No one opposed. Motion carries.

2nd Round of Spiritwear Orders – Information was sent home on April 22nd to give everyone one more opportunity to order Raider Spiritwear. The order forms were given to Lisa Evola on May 2nd. The items are targeted to be in on May 10th. With the 2nd round of order the PTA made a profit of \$130 dollars. With the 2 rounds of ordering we made a profit of over \$600. Lisa is going to work on a new screen print over the summer so we can do a Fall/Winter Clothing sale next school year.

Teacher/Staff Appreciation – Today was the first day of the week for the Teacher/Staff Appreciation week. Kim Bauer has events and prizes planned for each day of the week. She said she is good with volunteers. We are considering doing a Hawaiian theme for next year.

Principal Appreciation – During this week we also presented Mrs. McWilliams with a card and \$50 gas card to thank her for her efforts.

Fun Run Update: The Fun Run is scheduled for May 10th with a rain date set aside for May 24th. All of the schedules have been given to the teachers. Judi and some volunteers are putting together the snacks on 5/7/13.

Playground Update – There was a committee meeting on April 25th that also included Principal McWilliams, Bob Jones, Kim Frederick, Robyn Pape, and Judi Koskodan. Kim Frederick informed the group that the meeting was productive because it got everyone on the same page. Bob Jones is going to contact Rick Throop to discuss the excavation. Mrs. McWilliams is in favor of having Bob Jones take the lead on the excavation and the PTA can take a step back and provide the funds for the equipment. Bob was not aware that the PTA had these funds available that are set aside for the playground improvement. He was very excited about this. The PTA is going to hold the Fun Run on May 10th and then we will be able to determine how much more money was raised that can be added to our total. This committee is going to meet again at the end of May. Judi had been working hard on getting a grant and she did receive a \$1000 grant! Mandy Ott encouraged us to find out if the grant money has a deadline to be used. We will discuss at our next meeting playground meeting in May.

Spring Book Fair - Our Spring Book Fair is scheduled for May 21- May 23rd. Set up will be in May 20th and clean up is the evening of May 23rd. The book fair will be open during the day on the 21st, 22nd, and 23rd and in the evening of the 23rd. All books are 50% off. Please contact Mrs. Dupuis by email if you can help volunteer at any portion of the book fair.

New Business:

Nominations for PTA Vice President – After some debate, Kim Webster nominated Heather Throop for the VP Position for the next school year. It was 2nded by Jen McCarty. Heather is considering it and she accepted the nomination. We will vote on whether she will be taking the position or not at our next meeting.

*It was brought up that the PTA must have a full board to carry on next year.

We also discussed the opening of the Market Day Rep. No one has accepted this position as of today.

The motion to adjourn meeting at 8:17 p.m. by Kim Webster

2nd – Lauren Rienas

All in Favor. No one opposed.