

## December 14, 2010 PTA Minutes 5:30pm-6:30pm

Meeting called to order

November 9, 2010 minutes were approved

Treasurer's Report: Trace deposited the money received from Barnes and Noble Fundraiser, in the amount of \$133. We are still waiting for the check for Papa Murphy's in the amount of \$161. Trace, Kenny and Heather are now all authorized to sign PTA checks by US Bank.

Principal's Report: Kim spoke about the upcoming partnership with SEI in January. SEI will be the acting umbrella in which SUN will be operating under. Ms. Sherani Hill will be the Middle School Coordinator in which all 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders who want to participate in SEI will be accepted. An Elementary Coordinator still has to be chosen. Kim will sit in and participate with that interview process. In the meantime, the Elementary Coordinator will be able to work with a caseload of twelve students from each grade of 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> graders. SEI will visit the next Site Council and PTA meeting to explain further and answer questions. Kim also shared that we are currently remodeling the new computer lab upstairs; it's going to be very modern (like the Jetsons), student and teacher friendly in regards to the layout.

Site Council Update: We ironed out the format in regards to how the Site Council meetings are going to run/operate according to Oregon Law 329 (members will familiarize themselves w/this law to ensure we are fulfilling our role accordingly), we also created the agendas for the rest of the school year. Kim distributed the SIP document and wanted members to read page 6 of this plan and be prepared to discuss by next meeting. It was a very in depth meeting.

Stand For Children Update: Karen Werstein explained the purpose for this organization and introduced herself as the Cluster Representative who will report back during all PTA meetings on any necessary information regarding this group. Specifically, Karen is needing a second parent representative to assist her and she's looking for more members for our cluster. January 22<sup>nd</sup>, there will be a class from 9am-3pm for more information on Stand.

Barnes and Noble Fundraiser, we raised \$133, there was a nice turn out but we would have liked to see more student and teacher representation at the event. There seemed to be a slight disconnect b/n the level of teacher/student participation this year vs. last year. Not sure why that was as nothing was done differently this year. But overall, students who did show up read their stories well and had a good time. Cleveland Choir also did a great job singing and attracting patrons to our area to support our cause. 1<sup>st</sup> place winners was Mr. Monteforts class (Portland Aerial Tram field trip), 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place was combined for Mrs. Loske and Ms. Lynch (Oaks Park Skating trip). Kim stated that she will pay for skating tickets to make up the difference from the number of tickets that were donated vs. the amount we still need.

Papa Murphy's Fundraiser went well. We raised \$161. Rick, the manager, stated for us to do the same thing we've been doing to advertise as this seems to be working well.

Bond Measures Update (Trace): There's 548 Million dollars for the high school and middle school redesign, they will have a vote in January by the community. If this passes, property taxes would go up for all in Multnomah County, this is necessary in order to make the schools sustainable long term. We will have a guest speaker, Mary Margaret Wheeler-Weber, to speak at the next PTA meeting.

December movie night will be Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 3:30pm-5:30pm, to show Toy Story 3, popcorn and pizza will be served.

Old Town Pizza February Fundraiser: waiting on a date still. Karen would like to use this venue as an opportunity to invite parents in the community who's children are not of school age yet. She also suggested to have current King students speak about the IB Learner Profile words and wear their t-shirts. We should know of a date by the next PTA meeting.

MLK Day Suggestions/Ideas: Kim explained that she and the staff will hold an assembly on January 28<sup>th</sup> to do a special recognition of Dr. King, then acknowledge those students of the month who were recognized or caught displaying the IB Learner Profile of the month. She had also hoped to have the donated computer lab ready for reveal by this time, but she's not sure that this will happen in time. Other ideas were then opened up to the floor for discussion in which lots of ideas were offered: 1) Julie expressed wanting to have something more for Dr. King's actual day and something that students could lead and participate in; something that could become an annual event for King School being that we are named after Dr. King. 2) Sally also felt that something should be planned specifically for MLK's Day too. 3) Veronica suggested using "Hands on Portland" where they can allow us to participate in one of their assigned projects. 4) Carissa felt that doing this option, King's efforts would be loss amongst everyone else and that we should do something more specific to King only. 5) It was suggested that we could gather a group of students who want to participate and walk with them around the neighborhood so that people (along Alberta) can see who we are and maybe we can offer to clean up store front areas. So many ideas and not much time to plan so for now we will go along with Kim's plan, but discuss further by next PTA meeting so that something, in addition to the assembly, can be planned.

Dress Code (Heather): Heather wants to create a survey to pass out to all parents to solicit their feedback on whether or not the current dress code should continue at King. Heather will create this and share with everyone by the next meeting. We can then vote to pass it out.

Winter Break is December 20<sup>th</sup> thru 31<sup>st</sup>. Students will return on Monday, January 3, 2011!

Meeting adjourned.