

December 3, 2009

PTA Minutes

Karen asked if there were questions about the PTA organization and clarified that this was a national organization.

Minutes were approved.

Casey (a volunteer for m PSU) who works in the Sun program and works for EDG:E coordinating volunteer projects. Perhaps doing a large project for the courtyard, asking to see if he can help coordinate a project for Earth Day (April 22nd 2010). Carissa talked about joining forces to bring about stronger turnout for projects and events. The project might be after school on the Friday of Earth Day week (the 23rd?). Joy, Capstone, and EDGE. Carissa will e-mail out a date for all of us to meet.

Officer's Report

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WE need three more members to be in good standing.

Membership goal has risen to 29. If we get that before December 15 we would win a gift card. At the staff meeting it was mentioned that teachers should join the PTA.

Barnes and Noble: raised 530 dollars We need to decide how we should spend the money from the fundraiser--covered playground area, Elmos are also needed, (\$350 for a cheap one) projectors are available for two. , SMART board, (LaDrena explained technology), Photoshop software, handheld mirrors, glue sticks or glue guns, tape recorders and tapes, helping a third world country-we could match funds for the kids

LaDrena could draft out the costs of Elmos and projectors.

Small gifts were suggested to build those bridges between PTA and teachers: carts with ELMOS are available—LaDrena will do a cost out for us. Fully loaded carts for each teacher. A certain percentage to save and a percentage to spend immediately. Use grant funding for bigger items.

Buy all the small items

LaDrena will make a cost list. At the next meeting we will decide how to spend the remaining 400 dollars for larger items. One hundred dollars are allocated for smaller items for classrooms.

Old Town Pizza share day (30% of the take for the event)

February 14th or February the 18th were the two dates decided upon to try for. Karen will figure out the dates and get back to us about the arrangement.

New Business

Another big fundraiser. We should support Vernon's fundraiser

Games night, holiday program, having a get together around food

Family Game and dinners- Mario and Julie will get together to discuss the structure for a family food and games night at the school.

Student representation- new choir robes are needed. Bring in the leadership kids from the student council, LaDrena will talk to the Mr. Eltagonde about sending us some middle school students as representatives.

LaDrena shared with the PTA what the Site Council is all about- need more parent representations. We have had three parents attend but there are three more slots available.

Kindergarten round-up is in February. Getting the grant for the full day pre-K, Early reading first grant, LaDrena has 5,000 dollar grant to help with the game night –help with the outreach—Awards night for teachers to get them into the school. Poetry Slam

Julie will bring writing ideas to the school to add to the Poetry Slam.

Karen will appoint a nominating committee during the next meeting and reminded members of the rules that all candidates needed to have attended two meetings and paid their dues as a member. Karen has information about each of the slots, so if someone is interested, they should check it out.

Contact information was asked for.