

PTO Meeting Minutes – November 12, 2013

The Meeting was called to order at 6:11 p.m.

Present: Jill Priestley, Shaun Harrison, Lindsey Wolfe, Anthony Lauer, Jenn Carlson, Samina D. Barritt, Simone McDaniel, Carol Shakarian, JoAnn Parkus, Teresa Maldonado, Beth Morgan, Tina Gould, Tatum Theodore, Amy Pufahl, Anne Wizauer, Candace Cackowski, Eddie Key, Michelle McCoy, Beth Loomis,

Introductions

Special Presentation

Karen Meints joined the group to discuss the Disability Awareness Workshop (\$300) and the possibility of bringing it to Pittsfield. The workshop is for 4th graders to understand physical, developmental and learning disabilities. The program consists of 3 rooms (45 min./room) with 15-29 students/room. Will need a parent coordinator, two rooms and 16-17 parent volunteers. Amy Pufahl said she would look into it and possibly be a co-coordinator.

Teacher Presentation - Barb Killewald and Elizabeth Torrey – 1st grade – not feeling well

President and PTOC Report – Simone McDaniel

- Restaurant Nights: Chuck E. Cheese made \$240, Marco's made \$200
- Winter Dance (Jan. 31st): Tatum Theodore and Lindsey Wolfe will co-coordinate
- Book Swap: Shannon Lauer (2nd grade teacher) would like to do a book swap. Contact Shannon with ideas or would like to help.
- Next PTOC meeting: Nov. 18th "Mind the Gaps". Everyone is welcome to join me!
- Campbell's labels: The balls have arrived and have been distributed to the teachers.
- Thanks to Matt Newman for a terrific movie night!
- Thanks to Kerri Mose for a spectacular Fall Fest!
- WiHi consortium: International Baccalaureate program in Wash. Inter. School District
 - AAPS has no intention of pulling out
- Great Lakes Scrips is available to order online now.
- Use PTO paper located in Anthony Lauer's mailbox in the office when making copies. Continue to report number of copies on sheet by copy machine.

Principal's Report – Carol Shakarian

- Very sad news to report that Mr. Rick Dekeon has passed away. He taught physical education at Pittsfield to some of our 1st-5th graders.
- Thank you to all of you and the community for renewing the Sinking Fund Millage. Just got word that all the exterior doors at Pittsfield will be replaced. In process of picking out door colors.

- Dr. Swift's "Listen and Learn Tour" will be at Pittsfield Dec. 10th. She will use the World Café Method format. Will also need facilitators to help with the meeting.

Approval of Consent Agenda. Jenn Carlson moves to approve. Tatum Theodore seconds. Motion passes.

Treasurer's Report – Anthony Lauer

- Approval levels
 - Budgeted expenses
 - Less than \$100: Treasurer
 - Between \$100-\$500: Treasurer and President
 - Greater than \$500: Treasurer, President and Board
 - Unbudgeted expenses
 - Less than \$100: Treasurer and President
 - Greater than \$100: Treasurer, President and Board
- Fall Festival made approximately \$800
- Movie Night made approximately \$300

Fundraising – Shaun Harrison and Samina Barritt

- Thank you to all who participated in the catalog sale. \$4,000 was raised, which brings in approximately \$2,000 to the PTO. Mr. Merante and Mrs. Duman's classes won the pizza party. Merchandise can be picked up Mon., Nov. 25th. We will need volunteers to help distribute.

Fall Fun Festival Recap – Kerri Mose

Kerri was unable to join us due to parent teacher conferences at her school.

PTO Thrift – Anne Wizauer

- Pittsfield received \$330 from the PTO Thrift for the Show Your Support Week
- Next Show Your Support Week is Nov. 24-30.
- Reminder to copy PTO Thrift flyer on back of all backpack flyers. Put a copy in the folder located in the office for Anne to take to the Thrift store. Pittsfield gets money for every flyer distributed.

Open Discussion

- Jane Winters' husband passed away over the summer. The PTO would like to honor him. We will contribute to a tree at the volleyball pit located at Wines School.
- May consider moving January movie night away from Martin Luther King weekend. Jenn Carlson will follow up with Matt Newman.
- Disability Workshop – Amy Pufahl will look into it and consider co-coordinating.
- 5th grade camp (May 12th) forms have gone out.

Meeting adjourns at 7:48 pm.