

## PTO Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2013

The Meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Present: Jenn Carlson, Jill Priestly, Carol Shakarian, Jean Cochran, Teresa Maldonado, Tina Gould, Amy Pufahl, Beth Loomis, Kari Tant, Jessi Guthre, Simone McDaniel, Amy Penoyar, Chris Tant, Samina Barritt, Shaun Harrison, Scott Guthre

### General Meeting:

Welcome from President and Introductions of all attendees.

#### President's Report – Simone McDaniel

Thank you to the Guthres for hosting the meeting at their house.

JoAnn wanted to share thanks for supporting 5<sup>th</sup> grade camp – it was a great success.

Good bye to the fifth grade parents.

Thursday morning at 8:20, fellows from the city will be coming to discuss school crossing signs at Pittsfield and Richard/Oakwood. Anyone who wants to come speak to how busy the traffic is can come by.

FYI – PTOC is looking into group rates for PTO insurance. It can be pricey. There are FAQs on the PTOC website regarding insurance.

June 19<sup>th</sup>, there is superintendant criteria forums – you can show up and participate.

Thanks to everyone for a great job this year. We appreciate how accessible Carol Shakarian is to all of us. Thanks!

#### Principal Report – Carol Shakarian

- Thanks to everyone for your service to the PTO
- It is sad to lose such great fifth grade families.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade promotion was short and sweet. Thanks for PTO support
- Words to 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents – stay involved with your kids.
- There was an error in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade MEAP for math. New scores will be coming soon.
- In September we will be having a production of "Big Bully" the first in Ann Arbor. Thanks for supporting.
- Some teachers were pink slipped and some will get called back, hopefully all... We might also have less Title I money next year.
- ICS raffle of kid principal went great. Tricia Barritt was able to have the lunch of her choice, make PA announcements, visit classrooms and take some friends to visit the talent show rehearsal.
- A list of supplies for next year will be going home with report cards.

#### More from the president

- The 5<sup>th</sup> graders are again going to paint handprints on the wall at school – an old tradition at Pittsfield.
- Jessi moves to accept the minutes. Kari seconds. Motion passes
- Jenn moves to approve pizza money. Scott seconds. Motion passes.
- Amy Pufahl moves to accept the hold harmless language. Beth Loomis seconds. Motion passes.
- Samina moves to approve \$358 for Cathy Babcock and Barb Killewald to go to a Confidence to the Core conference for professional development. Kari seconds. Motion passes. Those present request that Cathy and Barb present what they have learned at a staff meeting.

- Shannon Lauer requests \$120 for an Apple TV she purchased for her classroom. After much discussion about spending money on technology, Jenn Carlson moves to not spend the money and Samina Barritt seconds. Jessi Guthre opposes. Shaun Harrison abstains. Motion passes.

#### Treasurer's Report – Jessi Guthre

- ICS Photo booth, Lifetouch wanted more money – Marj is going to figure it out.

#### ICS Update – Jill Priestley

- Thank you (with Amy's help) from Simone
- Thanks to everyone else for the help. The event was great and had great attendance.
- The photo booth, in hindsight, might not have been worth it.
- Karaoke ramped up as the night went on.
- The auction made \$2560
- The teacher raffle was popular. Could tickets be more next year?
- There was an issue with the Washtenaw Dairy – when we met with them originally, they said they wouldn't give us a price break, but they would pack it for free and donate ice. The original contact was in the hospital and the new contact charged us for that. Having the ice cream on the dry ice was worth it though. Next year Busch's is an option – they take donation requests in October. Coldstone is also an option.
- Beth Loomis ran the square. Ticket sales were not so great, but for T-shirts and auction it was great.

Board positions still needed for next year are hospitality and merchandising. Suzy is willing to do welcome breakfast – the other responsibilities for hospitality are teacher week, curriculum night, kindergarten welcome and teacher conference common night.

Scott Guthre nominates Jenn Carlson for Vice President.

Amy Pufahl nominates Jill Priestly for Secretary

Simone nominates Amy Pufahl for SIT rep

Ann Wizower will do PTO Thrift

Scott Guthre will do movie night

Teresa Moldonado will do web site

Simone McDaniel president

Jessi Guthre Treasurer

Samina Barritt and Shaun Harrison Fundraising

Thank you to the PTO from Cathy Babcock's class.

Barb Killewald requested that a hopscotch be painted outside her classroom on the playground. Carol – let Barb recommend a location, and Amy Priestly said her husband would paint it. Amy will check if there is extra paint.

Tina moves to adjourn. Simone 2nds. Meeting adjourns at 8:11

After the meeting, Jean Cochran was recognized for her 27 years working at Pittsfield as well as her time as a student and her children's time as students. Thank you to Jean for all her years of service and her love of Pittsfield!