

PTO Meeting minutes – March 8, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:41 pm.

Present: Shaun Harrison, Beth Loomis, Carol Larsen, Robin Mendenhall, Paula Gardner, Samina Das Barritt, Jenn Carlson, Jenine Curry, Deanna Kempke, Wanda Perez, Amy Pufahl, Alison McCrystal, Amy Penoyar, Simone Samano-McDaniel, Carol Shakarian, Janet Shane

General Meeting

1. Teacher Presentation:

Robin Mendenhall- March is Art Month. At Barnes and Noble, (80) students work will be displayed. Art classes also have new tables, chairs and cabinets from Bond money. There will be a K-12 art show with pieces in Main Ann Arbor Library. March 13th is Youth Art with Concert at Michigan Theatre. The art gallery on website has 2400 pieces of student work.

Carol Larsen- We have new risers that are flip form and are able to practice for concerts in Music Room. They are portable and we also have a bulletin board. Humanities unit for K, 4th and 5th grade classes, where curriculum is done in Music, Gym and Art. K-how to solve problems, 4th-Matter(using bells), 5th- Civil War, Blk History and songs of South. Concert dates are as follows:

Next Wed. March 16th is K\2 combined for 45 minutes at 6:30pm

Thur. April 14 is 1st and 3rd at 6:30 and Thur May 12th is 4th grade vocal and 5th grade instrumental. 5th grade will not have a final performance, except graduation song.

\$1000 grant received from March- May. Songwriter Kitty Donohue for Parkus and Barcelata in 38 min blocks, which connects with Humanities. Today, they wrote one verse. 4th grade was very excited too, they will be doing recorders from Feb- April. Report cards for Music will be included with students classroom report cards.

2. Principal's Report – Carol Shakarian

“Adopt a Classroom” organization recently sent 2 groups of youthful volunteers to help create a project in our kindergarten classes recently. \$100 dollars was presented to each K classroom.

Capitol Trip to Lansing will remain in 4th grade.

MEAP results are forthcoming. Several surveys will be sent to families.

NAAPID had 168 in attendance.

Mitchell\Scarlett survey will go live for a week for opinions on balanced calendar.

Enrollment is 262, with possible 11 teachers.

President's Report – Deanna Kempke

Educational Fund- \$200 to be given to Max and Piper Westrum. Mother, Deborah Westrum passed away in February and scholarship set up to provide for her children.

Storyteller, Barb Schutzgruber for Reading Month Assembly Finale on Wed. March 30 K-2, 2-2:30. 3rd-5th to follow at 2:50-3:30. Alison moved to approve \$500 fee. Amy Pufahl seconded, motion passed.

Burns Park Run May 1-check on someone to chair this event. Pittsfield participated last year and raised funds.

Teacher Morale- Deanna would like to check on staff, following events in Wisconsin. Voted to amend bylaws for officer term limits- more discussion later.

Business Meeting

Secretary's Report – Samina Das Barritt

- Deanna Kempke moved to approve, Simone Samano seconded, minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report – Wanda Perez

- \$600 5th grade trip

- \$125 donation(matching funds)

- \$503 Winter Dance

- \$ 7 Tee shirts

- \$1050 Scrip, \$30 Hillers.

- \$1700 deposit.

- \$65 grant

- \$60 child care for K round up

- \$249 expenses for Winter Dance and \$9 stamps.

- Totals-\$2356 earned, \$3600 expenses.

PTOC – Simone Samano-McDaniel

- Report on PTOC March 21st meeting “Sharing Session on Fundraising” – all welcome to attend

- PTOC meets 3rd Monday of the month from 7-9pm

- PTOC meets Thursdays at 9am with Superintendant, once a month

SIT- Amy Pufahl, no report this month.

Fundraising – Alison McCrystal

- Barnes and Noble Book Fair March 18th & 19th

- PTO Thrift- Paula Gardner.

Shop there this week for Show your Support. We will have \$2300 coming to school. May is when next payout.

Event Planning:

a. Movie Night, Alison McCrystal-last one of the year on March 11. Megamind will be shown. Have all volunteers.

b. Reading Month update-Simone McDaniel.

Is working with Jeri Schneider, doing stars again this year for each class. Coupons turned in and names added on stars. Simone will hang them in hallway. Area in library created for supplies, stars and coupon sheets. Story teller assembly will culminate the month.

c. Winter Dance recap-Alison McCrystal. It was great to see 5th grade take ownership. Spent money on food to make money. Tickets- mention on flyer in future years that items will be for sale.

5th grade Camp-Alison McCrystal-

35 students

27 attending

21 paid in full

(2) paid \$120\ \$180

(4) no money

(8) assist, 2 have all hours, 3 have ten hours.

Samina Das Barritt moved to approve, Simone Samano McDaniel seconded, meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.