

PTO Meeting minutes – May 10, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm.

Present: Samina Das Barritt, Jenn Carlson, Deanna Kempke, Wanda Perez, Amy Pufahl, Alison McCrystal, Amy Penoyar, Simone Samano-McDaniel, Carol Shakarian, Shaun Harrison, Beth Loomis, Cathy Babcock, Jen Duman

General Meeting

Teacher Presentation- Cathy Babcock and Jen Duman

- 43 students
- Friendship, perseverance, cooperation, responsibility are themes of the classroom.
- Units we cover are: science(learning about the body and its parts. Dirt, sand and water at Leslie Science Center field trip). Health and nutrition, Food Pyramid, Personal safety, strangers. Teddy Bear clinic in gym.
- Music is an integral part of the curriculum. Handwriting without tears. Browsing box with reading material at each child's level.

Principal's Report – Carol Shakarian

- Summer learning institute in math and reading. K and exiting 2nd graders are the active invites.
- 62 completed Climate survey.
- cut scores for MEAP proficiency. Set bar low. Our students in Michigan have scored high. So, will be harder to score Adv, will now be proficient. Drop in MEAP scores.
- Lunch Room money bill of \$400.(student council may help towards this)
- Gemini concert will be on May 27

President's Report- Deanna Kempke

- Letter to 1st and 2nd grade parents to elicit family attendance at PTO.
- \$168 for fishing field trip for 3rd graders. Alison McCrystal motioned. Samina Das Barritt seconded.

PTOC – Simone Samano-McDaniel

- May 16th- Thank you dinner at Balas at 7pm. Still looking for members at large and corresponding secretary. Simone will remain on Executive Board next year as secretary.

- PTOC meets 3rd Monday of the month from 7-9pm
- PTOC meets Thursdays at 9am with Superintendant

SIT- Amy Pufahl

- several surveys- NAAPID, Climate. Results largely favorable. Some surveys couldn't be viewed if actual student responded.
- staff wants a survey that addresses behaviour, needs based on class, lunch, etc. Common expectations. PBIS.

2011-2012 election for board positions:

Deanna Kempke- President
Amy Pufahl- Vice President
Suzanne Wu- Treasurer
Beth Loomis- SIT rep
Samina Das Barritt- Secretary
Simone Samano McDaniel- PTOC
Jenine Curry- Email coordinator
Suzy Tibbetts- Hospitality
Amy Penoyar- Box Tops
Jenn Carlson- Newsletter
Eric Budnik- Movie Nights
Paula and John Gardner- PTO Thrift
Samina Das Barritt- Restaurant nights
Shaun Harrison- Market Day
Marj Lamoreaux- yearbook
Simone McDaniel- Pittsfield directory
Amy Penoyar- Scrips Program
Susan Carroll-Website
Simone McDaniel-Merchandising
Susan Carroll-Bulletin Board

Treasurer's Report- Wanda Perez

-\$460 Camp money
- Burns Park Run \$500 Fidelity, \$330(21) runners
-\$67 Market Day
-\$242 Noodles Restaurant Night

Expenses: \$1800

-\$599 Last yr Camp Storer
-\$177 Grants
-\$727 Teacher Appreciation Week(\$225 Spa, \$500 Food)
- \$200 Westrum Family

Ms Knoll used \$70 teacher grant. \$30 paid
Jenn Carlson motioned, Samina Das Barritt second.

Secretary Report- Samina Das Barritt

Alison McCrystal motion. Deanna Kempke second. Minutes passed

Fundraising- Alison McCrystal

-Ice Cream social. Sent home flyer for volunteers. Need food permit to have ice cream, unless in pkgs.

-PTO Thrift won the Show your support for \$500-5th grade camp- last payment \$460 to Wanda per Alison.(8) full or partial scholarship\assist. 39 students attending camp.

- 5th grade promotion on June 15. Cupcakes ordered from Sam's Club. Graduation signature stuffed dogs done by Alison McCrystal. Balloons from Party City. Decorations done at 5 pm. Amy Pufahl and Jenn Carlson agreed to help with event

Deanna Kempke moved to approve, Wanda Perez seconded, meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.