

Joseph Sims PTO

Tuesday August 19, 2008

Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order 7:04 pm. Everyone introduced themselves and we welcomed new faces to the meeting.
2. Review of the minutes and Treasurer's Report. Stacie motioned to approve minutes. Suzanne seconded. All in favor, Motion approved. Treasurer's Report will be reviewed later in meeting.
3. Dave Givens (interim principal) introduced a proposal for additional signage at the campus. One of the things he noticed when he arrived at Joseph Sims was that it was difficult to figure out where things are. Some campuses have very good markings on the buildings to identify where everything is. Some enhancements could be made to the property. Propose putting "Home of the Shining Stars" in the quad above the amphitheater in aluminum lettering. The proposal is to label the school. This would include marking the building with large 12" letters that already match existing signs. The next category is to place 6" inch letters to indicate how many classrooms on each of the sides. Student services building labeled (where speech, PIP, etc is). About \$400 for 6 "shining stars" in a high gloss, high sheen. We would have to hire a lift to come in and do "Home of the Shining stars". The only letter currently is by the classroom. There are no letters currently on the buildings. Many people have trouble finding the rooms. Also lettering is important from a safety standpoint and for convenience. Lettering is same as the Toby and Franklin and the library. We could have the letters in a different color. The total for the project is about \$6000. Judy mentioned that she has contacts and we may be able to get it at cost. Several people asked Dave questions about the proposal. Dave said this project does not require District approval. Judy will work with Sheri to figure out what cost we can get it at.
4. Old Business
 - a. We need to order IPF earlier next year. We need to order the important paper folders in March next year so they are here for the first day of school. Mrs. Turner said thank you for the folders.
 - b. PTO membership contest. Hope's class is in 2nd place. One class got 100 percent participation. They got a pizza party.
 - c. New Principal and VP are suppose to be announced on Sept 2nd. Dave Givens said that school did interviews this past week. Those recommendations went to the superintendent and hopefully they will announce soon. We would like to have a welcome breakfast for the new administrators. Dave will give us the date so we know when it will be. Suzanne suggested doing it on a Friday and having parents stay for assembly. She wanted to know if anyone wanted to chair the breakfast – get muffins and coffee from a local coffee place. Stacie will take care of the breakfast.
 - d. Stacie did the first count of shirts – about 125 shirts ordered so far. We will place the first order this week.

Treasurer's Report

Hope mentioned that on membership dues the number is not exactly right since some of that are donations above the \$5 dues. Same with ICS – there are some family sponsorships that are not broken out. We added on a business checking account and are going to get rid of the personal checking account. This will make it easier when Stacie takes over at the end of year.

The golden lunchbox we already transferred the money over. \$2000 is the start up money for each year. Assembly support is at \$3000. We spent about \$2000 last year. Cynthia said in the past we have used that money to bring in authors but have not done so in a few years. Suzanne said we use to do \$5000 in prior years because Explorit would come. Movie night – we set aside \$3000 but we don't need it but it is nice to have. We have \$5000 for ICS. There is \$1000 set aside for custodial allotment but Richard does not ask for anything. Sheri suggested we buy parts for his tape dispenser.

Hope asked for suggestion for the Star Student. Suzanne suggested magnet frames. We don't want to give toys. Hope will research the frames and what the cost is. We do need to increase the fund.

Christy motioned to increase the star student fund to \$2000 and to approve assembly support bump to \$3000.00. Suzanne seconded. All were in favor. Motion approved.

5. New Business

- a. ICS – Judy Ragland talked about the Ice Cream Social. This is the 10th Anniversary and the Family sponsorship is new this year. Judy would really like to push that because deadline is set for printing. Judy talked about doing pole banners. Richard could probably put them up and take them done. Judy said we have a good amount of volunteers. If anyone wants to be a committee CHAIR let Judy know. We need chairs for pre-scoop, toppings, bounce houses (maybe a dad), basket monitoring and other things. Judy asked volunteers to see her after the meeting. Sheri said Mrs. Larson's husband has a Cobra and they are raffling off a ride to have ice cream at a local place. They will bring the car to the ICS. If there are other ideas for the 10 year let Judy know. We may have another meeting for ICS.
- B. Fundraiser – over \$19,000 in cookie and fundraise sales for B & D tracks. We earn 50 % on non cookie sales and we get 40% on cookie sales. 5th and 6th graders get it directly to their account for Mission Springs.
- C. Fundraiser for A & C track starts August 27 – Sept 12. Money counting will probably be on September 15.
- D. Goodbye breakfast for Mr. Brown – Sheri asked for help. We are making waffles and bacon to serve at 7:15 – need to start it at 6:45, need fruit salad.
- E. PTO kickoff – Sheri said that this is a big meeting and many people volunteer and sign up for different event.
- F. Move night – September 26th – Shrek III. Monica asked about doing an outdoor moving. Sheri said the licensing for outdoor showing would be \$500 per show – too much money. PTO pays \$450 for all year for indoor licensing for unlimited showings.
- G. Literacy Club – new thing that some teachers are doing. Hope says it is a really good program. They need help. Some are ESL. They want to do K- 4 this year so they need more volunteers. Hope said Homework club got cut off – no money for it. It cost \$35 for an hour for teacher to supervise the Homework club. Suzanne said this is a great program. Monica asked about the Watchdog program. Dave is familiar with the programs. It is also known was DOGS, Dads of Great Students. Dave said there is a National trainer and other resources available. Dave will look into it and report back.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.