

Joseph Sims PTO

Tuesday October 21, 2008

Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm. Everyone introduced themselves.
2. We reviewed the minutes from the September 16 meeting. Stacie motioned to approve the minutes and Cynthia seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion approved.
3. Mission Springs – Sheri was approached by the 6th Grade teachers for some money to help with the cost of Mission Springs. After an email to PTO board members, PTO gave \$3000 towards Mission Springs for this school year. Shelly Hughes agreed to meet with families in need to see if those families would be willing to volunteer at PTO events. Mr Wandell and Miss Yee were present at the meeting to talk about Mission Springs. Mr Wandell gave us an overview of the camp and what it is all about. It is a 5 day science camp held in Scott's Valley. The students really enjoy going to the camp. This time some students took the trip in the fall instead of the spring. Times are tough and the cost of the trip went up. The 6th graders who have not yet gone to Mission Springs, 6th graders who went and asked for financial assistance and the 5th graders who will go next year would like to do a Butterbraid fundraiser. The money that they raise would go to their individual fund. The proposed dates for the sale are Nov 3 – Nov 14 for B and D tracks and Dec 1- Dec 12 for A and C tracks. As an additional fundraiser they would also like to have a movie day on track on/track off days. Mr. Wandell and Miss Yee came to the PTO board to ask if they could use PTO's movie license and to make sure that their fundraising efforts do not conflict with PTO's fundraising efforts. By setting up those fundraisers they hope to make it easier for the parents/students to earn money, to in the future not need as much financial assistance from PTO, lower or keep steady the cost of Mission Springs for the students and hopefully make it less stressful for teachers and parents. Mr. Wandell says there seems to be an interest from the students to raise money.
Sheri mentioned that they could use the movie licensing since that when that was purchased it was so that the whole school could use it. Cynthia asked about the movie logistics. Mr. Wandell said it would be from 12:30 – 2:30 pm on track on/track off days. They would sell snacks or maybe have pizza. The teachers have already agreed to supervise. They would also set a limit on how many kids could come. Sheri said that she was fine with the Butterbraid sale as long as it did not interfere with the cookie dough sale at the beginning of the year. She did think that the movie would interfere with PTO movie nights and asked them if there was something else they could do instead. Suzanne suggested an afternoon of games or something else. Sheri suggested a shopping afternoon where parents could leave their kids and do some shopping perhaps for the holidays. Erica Yee said that the meetings with Shelly have helped the parents pay.
To recap, Erika said that they will consider doing a babysitting afternoon in early December and will sell Butterbraids as long as it is not at the beginning of the year.
4. Treasurer's Report - Final Money Count for Ice Cream Social - \$14,251.13 profit. We paid \$12,000 to Kathryn Beich. Sheri mentioned that the magazine sales made almost \$500. Some money was moved into savings for interest. Stacie motioned to approve the minutes. Cera seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.
5. Holiday Gift Night – Friday December 12
We need a chairperson. Every item is \$1.00. The students have a lot of fun buying items. High school students will help out.
6. Help Wanted: Communication Expert (Website/Newsletter)
Cynthia volunteered to do the newsletter. Monica will take care of the website.
7. Other agenda items. Suzanne would like to propose buying some tables for PTO and school to use. PTO uses these tables a lot and the ones we have are old and some are broken. Hope will check on the price at Costco. Cindy has a truck to pick up tables. Cynthia motioned to allocate \$1000 for the purchase of tables. Sheri seconded. All in favor. Motion approved.
Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.