

PTO Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2005

Location: Deerfield Elementary School Library

Present: Meg Tolmie, Beth Vander Grinten, Mary Winkler, Anna Ehrhart, Christopher Hibner, Lesa Herms, Sheryl Norton, Kelli Ezzell, Becky Collar, Laura Larson, Jan Tetzlaff, Nancy Thomas, Adele Crabb, Michele Wee, Belinda Storms, Natalie Cwik, Imelda Duarte, Molly Poirier, Stacy Zaldumbide, Kristin Leigh, Nathan Brown, Brett Saladino, Patti Knapp, Beth Kositzke, Sara Mickelson

Meeting Called to Order: 6:50 pm

Committee Reports:

- Introduction of Officers/Committee Chairs
- PTO Officers/Reports
 - “New” PTO Teacher Representative
 - ✓ Kristin Leigh
 - Treasurer’s Report – Belinda Storms
 - ✓ Balance as of 09/12/05 is \$3,248.09.
 - Santa’s Secret Shop – Belinda Storms/Val Bultman
 - ✓ Val Bultman will be taking over as Chair this year.
 - Enrichments – Chair Val Bultman
 - ✓ There are typically between 7-8 enrichments per year (monthly excluding December).
 - ✓ First Enrichment is Math Magic which is going to be 09/15/05.
 - Open House – Patti Knapp
 - ✓ Open House is from 5:00-6:30 pm
 - ✓ Dinner is being provided to teachers with dinner starting at 4:00pm
 - ✓ Treats/Baked Goods are being solicited – approximately 54 dozen needed.
 - Craft Fair – Lesa Herms, Becky Collar, Sheryl Norton, Michele Wee
 - ✓ 85 booths are sold to 62 crafters. Approximately 10 booths remaining.
 - ✓ Raffle tickets are close to being printed and will hopefully be available at open house.
 - ✓ Many volunteers are needed in October to distribute flyers as well as the actual day of the Craft Fair – please keep November 12th open to make this a success.
 - ✓ Discussion included having more teachers present the actual day of. The teachers are more than willing to help, we just need to let them know what is needed. Provide the teachers with a volunteer sign up sheet as well.

Principals Report:

- DES Principal Chris Hibner
 - Playground Equipment has been purchased and is ready to be installed.
 - ✓ During initial installation attempt, during excavation, a drainage problem was identified on the site of the new playground equipment. Installation was stalled to correct the problem. A tremendous THANK YOU goes out to Jeff Ezzell and others who helped correct this problem.

- ✓ The school is looking for an auger that can handle going through the lime rock that is on the playground site before playground installation can continue. Tentatively scheduled for 09/17/05.
- Everyday Math Program
 - ✓ All is going well with Everyday Math. Students and teachers are excited about the new program.
 - ✓ The online program affiliated with Everyday Math is available to all students. Passwords have been handed out to all grades except Kindergarten. However, Kindergarten will be getting their passwords soon.
 - ✓ Those students who do not have online access at home may contact the school to see what the availability is of using the computer lab after school. A student WITH their parent can utilize the computer lab after school between 3:00pm-3:45pm. To do this, 1) you must contact the school office and let them know what day you would like to use the computer lab, and 2) a parent MUST be present with the student. For other times or availability, please contact the school office.

New Business:

- Request for Area Rug by Meg Tolmie for Ms. Deb Annen's First Grade Classroom
 - Request was made for \$25+ to purchase an area rug for Ms. Annen's first grade classroom.
 - Discussion followed that \$25 is not sufficient to cover the cost of an area rug.
 - Motion made by Laura Larson to allow Ms. Annen to purchase an area rug up to \$50, Second by Becky Collar. All approved.
 - ✓ a 2 year term.

Old Business:

- Bridges/Enrichments
 - Bridges will coordinate enrichments with Val Bultman.
 - Motion made by Meg Tolmie to allocate \$30 towards a replacement bear bag and talking teddy bear, 2nd by Becky Collar. All approved.

Other:

- Homecoming
 - Homecoming is September 30th.
 - Discussion included should the DES students walk in the parade. Consensus was yes, the students enjoy this and the only thing they miss out on is the candy, of which they receive a small bag of from the PTO. It was agreed the students will continue to walk in the parade.
 - The PTO will continue to purchase candy, but will delegate the responsibility of bagging it and distributing it to the DES Student Action Committee.
- Next PTO Meeting
 - The next PTO meeting will be held October 10th at 6:30pm at the DES. Complimentary babysitting provided.

Meeting Adjourned – 7:39 pm

Respectfully submitted by Beth Vander Grinten