

## **PSO Board Meeting**

10/14/11

Meeting began at 12:55 in the CFT Library

**Present:** Stacey Moss, Dawn Hoffman-Gray, Kim Thoren, Deb Parker, Michelle Briggs, Heather Wolf, Li Ross, Alana Miner, Darcie Abraham, Michelle Daily, Dawn Eisenhauer, Kirsten Bird, Darcie Abraham, Susan Sullivan, Terri Burnette

### **Budget Update:**

- Elite Fundraising cards have almost broken even.
- Expecting jog-a-thon t-shirt invoice soon.

### **Fundraising Update:**

- Pump It Up was a great, community building event. Another scheduled 4/28 and Sky High on 11/17.
- Box Top Olympics ends next Wednesday.
- There were many events at the start of the school year in an attempt to give diverse families a wide variety of choices.

### **Celebrate the Seasons Update:**

- Craft Fair in gym. 40 available booth; have sold 5-6 so far. Cost is \$20 each.
- Bake sale in library. Need volunteers to bake items and lend pretty serving pieces.
- Games and activities in the cafeteria. Would like different cultural groups represented by a table activity (Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, HPAC one).
- Also considering an inexpensive dinner for families that night but not sure about space—maybe Subway fundraiser?
- Planning committee meeting Friday 10/21. Contact Dawn H. if interested.

**Art Lit:** Alana would like to sell the 2 art projectors that are not longer used for art lit. Michelle B. made a motion to sell them provided that she has a letter from the district with permission to do so. Dawn seconded; passed.

**Lost and Found:** The lost and found, containing items from last year and this year, has still not been donated. Heather is going to check with Closets to Go to see if they will donate or discount a shelving system. Stacey and Dawn are going to donate to Goodwill so we can start fresh for the rest of the year.

### **Fall Book Fair:**

- Please donate or loan space items to decorate library.
- On-line book fair is new, people from out of the area can order and books will be shipped to the school.
- There will be a computer set up at the fair to order books that aren't in stock. Shawnie needs someone to help set that up.
- Hours are Thursday 10-7, M-F 11-1 and 2:15-3.
- A second scanner was requested but not sure if we'll get it or not.
- Planning to invite Tigard Play School since they don't have a book fair of their own. Other suggestions?: Little Tigers, Gaarde Christian.

### **Fifth Grade Field Trip:**

- Teachers have requested a Biz Town Field Trip that will exceed their Field Trip allotment by \$900 (\$6 per student over budget). This field trip would cap off a year long study of life skills and economics (eg-interview skills, check writing, etc.) Generally viewed as an excellent opportunity for the kids.
- Heather came up with an idea for a 5<sup>th</sup> grade-only fundraiser called "Can you spare a dollar?" where kids would learn as much as they can about the dollar and then ask people to donate a dollar and sign next to one of nineteen phrases. If half the kids raised \$19, it would raise enough money. She is talking to the teachers about it next week.
- Terri shared some history regarding 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers always being asked to pay for their field trips and didn't think they would be supportive of this idea.
- Dawn H. informed that teachers are being asked to turn in their annual field trip plans by 11/1 so we'll know if there is a surplus from some grades that can be given to others.
- Idea floated to ask every student to bring \$5 rather than get \$19 donated because this amount is more likely and we'd get a bigger percentage of participation (similar to jog-a-thon tshirt donation this year). Why not have each kid pay for their own field trip cost? Principals have not allowed this in the past.
- Stacey motioned to fund extra \$900 expenditure, possibly to be offset by fundraising and/or asking families to contribute. Deb seconded; passed.

**Paper Reduction:** Wanda asked PSO if they'd support an "Oldest/Only" policy for papers going home—only the oldest child in each family will get WC Chat and other papers going home. The group consensus was it was a great idea (one that had been in place before). Some forms may need to be altered to allow for multiple kids to submit one form (ie-yearbook, jog-a-thon tshirt, movie passes order form, etc.)

**Volunteer Needs (all contact info in PSO newsletter):**

- Escrip, E-labels. Someone to promote this program, including putting a link in the WC Chat so people can go link their store rewards cards. Anyone interested should contact Kim Thoren.
- Drive By Can Drive 10/19 and 11/2. No volunteer yet so it was decided that we will not be a designated site but will still advertise to the other school drop sites.
- Co-coordinator for Dining Nights Out. Jennifer needs someone to help her by making calls during the day.
- Harvest Fest. Shifts are covered but are longer than Deb would like so more are welcome!
- Fall Book Fair shifts, especially Thursday during conferences.
- Yearbook volunteers are still needed. Michelle will contact interested individuals w/in the next week for a meeting.

**Other items:**

- Chess Club is starting next week. Sign up forms are in the office.
- Pod Parents idea still needs to be worked out. Kristen will contact pod parents following this meeting, after talking to Dawn to confirm 3 items to share with grade level teams.
- Concern about volunteers signing acknowledgement regarding broken equipment. What if someone accidentally ruins the very expensive laminator? Dawn will talk to Wanda about this.
- Michelle D. is collecting pop tops for Ronald McDonald House.

**Approval of September minutes:** Kristen motioned to pass. Michelle D. seconded; passed.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:15pm**