

Central Elementary PTO Minutes November 15, 2010

Present: Stacie J, Laura E, Julene D, Courtney O, Angie M, Christy B, Kara W, Amy D, Shelly C, Jennifer P, Jenni R, Michelle K, Katie W, Sharon E

Introduction of parents and teachers present

Nominations for Secretary: None given so Kara White will be PTO Secretary 2010-2011

Treasurer Report: Amy Donahue

\$6343.11 currently to date; August gave \$10 to new teachers, total \$70; May purchased 3 subscriptions to Time magazine for 2nd graders; \$87.09 spent on donuts for dads and more receipts to come for that event from Michelle K; \$10 donation for science night from Terri U

Old Business:

1. Building Renovation Update by Brenda P: In the front of Popular to the North they will enlarge the sidewalks to help with excessive foot traffic from bus drop offs, etc. On the North side of 8th and Popular a shelter will be erected for bus students. Will be painting walls in hallway, Key Fob system will be put in place as a security system, 6 new Kindergarten rooms, 3 preschool rooms, Conference Room, Larger Nurses Office

2. Donuts for Dads: HUGE Success; Served 340 donuts; Laura E recommended possibly serving drinks next year with donuts. Discussion about why no drinks this year, time issue with cleaning up and getting the first group of kids into the gym by 8:15. Next year there will not be a time constraint since the new cafeteria will be in use! Discussion about providing volunteer program for the kids without parent so ALL kids can be involved in this activity. Muffins for Moms will be on May 4th, 2011.

3. PTC meal for teachers: Report by Courtney and Kara; \$50 was donated by Wal-Mart and was used to provide chocolate in the teachers' lounge during conferences. Katie W donated money for decorations. It was a success!

4. Science Family Fun Night: Report given by Julene D; Big Thanks to all of the volunteers. KS Wheat commission donated the items needed for bread in a bag; Farm Bureau donated pencils; Staples donated boards; 150 families accounted for; Such a huge success that they ran out of supplies. Changes/ ideas for next year: student sign in, specify numbers when asking for supplies, ask for supplies to be dropped off day before science night, have the event on a night that there is no school the next day.

New Business:

1. Central Science Fair: Nancy S and Cara N have volunteered to head this event. The date is January 20, 2011 from 6:30-8. The head of the event will be compiling ideas for the students with booklets, websites, etc and it is to be sent home with students in December. Display boards donated from Staples, idea brought up to provide those display boards to those with financial difficulties. Julene D let the group know that Staples would sponsor events if given 7-10 days to contact headquarters. Julene will provide Brenda with the contact information to see about Staples providing enough display boards for all children.

2. Christmas Gift ideas for Teachers: Brainstormed on following ideas: parents provide help during teachers day, help Kindergarten teachers pack to move to new building, pass out silverware at lunch time, last day of school before Christmas Break help with activity in gym. Volunteers to head this are Julene D, Amy D, and Laura E. Decision to have parents provide help in the morning of Tuesday December 21 from 8:30-10:30 in the gym. Staffing would need to be at least 2 parents per class. Also there will be a 12 days of Christmas for teachers with different goodies provide to the teachers prior to Christmas break.

3. School Supply Kits: Chairperson for school supply kits is Shelly C.

4.. Chairperson for Teacher Appreciation Week: Laura E and Jenni R: Will be doing a Spa Day sometime during the week of May 3-6.

5. Spring Festival: April 7th; The board and Brenda will be meeting with Amy and Raymond Sramek, who provide the meal, on Dec 3rd to view menu. Will bring back options to the PTO in

January. Raymond's vendor will donate table service. Silent Auction request forms were passed out.

6.. Additional Fund Raising ideas: Amy D provided info on Papa Murphy's fundraisers. This fundraiser would require parents to be at Papa Murphy's and mention Central Elementary when patrons enter the door, every time this is mentioned 20% of the profit from that pizza will be given to Central. Also mentioned was a Sonic fundraiser at the Spring Festival. No decisions were made at this meeting

Meeting dates for the year: January 17, February 21, April 19, May 17

Brenda P gave those interested a tour of the new addition.