

May 17, 2011 PTO Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. Board members present were President Lisa Hansing, Treasurer Dave Blask, and Secretary Patti Mirsberger. Also attending were Michell Hayes, David Kucharski, Maureen Niedermeyer, and CarolAnn Braovac.

Treasurer Dave Blask provided updated PTO Income and Expense reports for all in attendance and gave a brief summary:

Income:

- ∞ Restaurant income higher due to Cousins, Culvers, Red Robin, and Country Lanes 10% and 15% days
- ∞ Box Tops income is slightly over projected amount
- ∞ Market Day income is up due to cookie sale, one more Market Day sale to be added
- ∞ Pick-n-Save income was discontinued halfway through the year. Pick-n-Save offers Country Dale an income incentive through Scrip now

Expenses:

- ∞ Baseball field renovation - PTO paid \$1867.50 for the gravel/dirt mix
- ∞ Field trip expenses were under the projected amount, but more requests could still come in
- ∞ There is approximately \$4300 that could be used toward purchase of one SmartBoard and one mounted projection unit, a total cost of \$2650. It was moved, seconded, and passed to purchase the SmartBoard
- ∞ Dave Blask will purchase water jugs for Wacky Field Day, June 9th
- ∞ Dave Blask will purchase popsicles for the Wacky Field Day assembly. Assembly is to raise positive spirit and follow the Cougar Code.
- ∞ Discussion to purchase a cotton candy machine, cost is in the \$250 - \$350 range. Determined it is more cost effective to rent the machine for \$30
- ∞ Patti Mirsberger will purchase two 100-foot extension cords for PTO event usage
- ∞ Discussion about purchasing an electronic sign for the front of Country Dale School - could possibly get area businesses to donate money for the sign in exchange for marketing their businesses on said sign
- ∞ As a retirement gift for Mr. Madsen, the PTO will donate \$500 to the Harvey Kuehn Foundation in Larry Madsen's name. Presentation of this gift will be at the Ice Cream Social on June 7th

Past Events:

Teacher Appreciation Week was a success. The Monday continental breakfast; notes, gifts and flowers for the teachers from students; and Thursday Chipotle lunch were well received and appreciated. We are still waiting for delivery of Teacher Appreciation gifts and are disappointed that the supplier has been slow in fulfilling the order.

Upcoming Events:

- ∞ The Scholastic Book Fair will be held May 23rd through May 27th with Wednesday (May 25th) evening hours for parents.
- ∞ Ice Cream Social will be on Tuesday, June 7th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. The gym will be open to provide extra space for yearbook sales and signing of posters for the four retiring staff members. Discussion continued about crowd control with regard to set-up of ice cream and toppings.

Dave Kucharski would like to see changes in the way Parent Pick-up is handled. The current method is time-consuming and chaotic for all involved. We discussed various ways of making changes, but the topic needs more discussion because we are uncertain of legal and spatial limitations.

CarolAnn Braovac has generously volunteered to take over the PTO Secretary position for the next term. We are all very pleased to welcome her to the Board. The PTO President position is still open; Dave Blask will send a few more e-mails to try to get the position filled.

Lisa Hansing reviewed her list of committee chairpersons for next year's PTO events. There are still some events that need a chairperson. Lisa will send out a flyer asking for volunteers. Dave Blask will e-mail staff members asking for a volunteer to be in charge of inventory for the Publishing Center. PTO will still do the Publishing Center ordering.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.