

Country Day Montessori PTO
Minutes
February 19, 2009

Meeting Called to order at 8:45am by Joan Martinez (President Carra Milikien was absent). The minutes of the January meeting were read by Tricia Love. Those in attendance indicated no additions or corrections were needed.

The fundraising committee gave its report. The Valentine's Day bake sale raised approximately fifty dollars. Another bake sale is scheduled for St. Patrick's Day. The next planned fundraiser is a school rummage sale. It is scheduled for March 21st. (After the meeting Ms. Betty informed us that there is a conflict with the 21st. It is the date for the next open house). The rummage sale will need donations of items from families, parent volunteers to staff the sale and help with advertising. Food sales during the rummage sale are also being considered. Another fundraising event that is being planned is a Mother's Day Boutique. It would be an opportunity for the children to shop for gifts for their mothers. Donations of small craft-type items will be needed. Sale prices should range from fifty cents to five dollars.

The by-laws committee gave its report. A sample of by-laws has been located on the internet and is in the process of being adapted for our organization. The by-laws for the PTO will be ready for the next meeting.

The teacher appreciation committee did not have anything to report. The idea of having parents do a pot-luck for the teachers was discussed.

Next, the issue of how to decide what gets funded was discussed. Current funds are believed to be around one thousand, but will need to be confirmed with Cara. The idea of having general funds versus funds ear marked for special projects was discussed. The idea is that general funds could be used to fund small purchases for the school and for the PTO and larger projects would need separate funds. The issue of what percentage of families has joined the PTO was raised. This will be looked into. Current projects that have been put before the PTO include: drums for the music program, a playground for the older students, the butterfly garden, art supplies, Frisbees and set-up of a tether-ball for Ms. Megan. Rose Saenz volunteered to obtain the Frisbees and set-up the tether ball for Ms. Megan. Funding for the other projects still needs to be determined.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 31st at 6:30pm. The by-laws will be presented and nominations of officers for the 2009-2010 school year will be discussed.

The meeting was concluded at 9:40 am.