



Meeting Agenda & Minutes

November 15, 2011

Call to Order 6:35 p.m.

- I. Welcome & Introduction Tara Niebergall
 - a. Tara introduced all PTO Board members and Committee chairs. She thanked all of those who have volunteered their time and explained the benefits for our children when they see us volunteering at school.

- II. Old Business Tara Niebergall
 - a. Committee Reports
 - i. Library – Book Fair
 - 1. Kat Moritz presented the results for the recent Book Fair. The total amount sold was \$2473.37. The amount earned for the Library is \$1,147.60. Ms. Cristina decided after talking with the teachers that the Library will take the earned amount in the following way - \$289.07 cash and \$858.53 in Scholastic dollars to be used for books and equipment for the Library.
 - ii. Beautification
 - 1. Work tasks have been prioritized starting with those that could be potential safety hazards. A list has been made for those who are willing and able to start working in the Forest Learning Center/Outdoor Classroom.
 - 2. A 5-year plan will be created in order to complete the Outdoor Classroom. Maintenance will be included in this plan.
 - 3. December 10, 2011 will be a day for volunteers to begin working on those tasks to improve, clean-up, etc. in the Forest Learning Center/Outdoor Classroom.
 - 4. The school received a grant from Game Time for a 44% discount on playground equipment which will be installed on the primary side of the playground.
 - iii. Fundraising
 - 1. Jog-a-Thon Jamie Holder
 - a. Jamie Holder presented the results from the Jog-A-Thon held on Nov. 11. The students ran a total of over 11,000 laps. \$6800 was the goal to be raised from the Jog-a-Thon. The projected total will be close to \$10000.
 - b. Ms. Susan thanked all of the parents for their support during this event.
 - 2. PTO Lunches Jamie Holder
 - a. Lunches are going well. Parents seem pleased with the lunches their children are receiving.
 - 3. Honey Baked Ham

- a. This is an ongoing fundraising effort. The money earned will be used to support those students attending the MMUN. Last year each student received approximately \$180 to use towards his/her expenses.

4. SCRIPS

Amy Whittington

- a. Amy will post a Scraps Gift Guide in each building and will send this out by email as well. \$313 has been raised so far this year through Scraps.

b. Minutes

Leah Williams

- i. September Minutes

Unanimous Approval

c. Financials

Joe Zlotkowski

- i. Joe presented the financials.

Unanimous Approval

III. New Business

Tara Niebergall

- a. On April 16, 2012 a Bike Rodeo will be held. This will be a service project for the school.
- b. An email will be sent out soon asking for donations of gently used bikes and playground equipment.
- c. Budget change and Vote
 - i. Joe Zlotkowski presented information on starting an after-school robotics program next school year. The materials needed for this program come in a kit that can be purchased for approximately \$1000. A vote was taken on setting aside this money to purchase the kit. There was unanimous approval for purchasing the kit.

IV. Close

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Special Topic: Ms. Jennifer, CDMS Super Art Teacher, gave a wonderful talk on

Art as Self-Expression and Art as a Vehicle to Self-Control.