



PTO Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm.

Introductions

- The Executive Board - (Co-Presidents – Amy Helmick & Toni Masters; Co-Vice President –Kristine Rosen; Secretary – Traci Haake; Treasurer – Ben Cooper; Asst. Treasurer – Stephen DiRose; Co-Fundraising Coordinators – Karen Enney), Jenn Weese – Principal & Sara Harp – Asst. Principal

Treasurer's Report – Ben Cooper

- Sales Tax
 - We no longer have a tax liability
 - This means we will have more money
 - Will look at a future date to decide on spending once we know how much we have
 - Including Box Tops, restaurant nights, etc.
 - The City Council met and had a unanimous vote to change the tax code
 - One more vote on 2/9 before it is passed
 - Those of you who previously sent letters, please send a Thank You when it is final
 - Star Carts have not been ordered yet; Jenn W. is waiting for district
 - We received \$980 from Box Tops

Fundraising – Karen Enney

- Starting to look for ideas for the 2010/2011 school year
 - Do we want to do cookie dough again – most people present said “no”
 - Do we want to have one large fundraiser or several smaller ones
 - If you have a suggestion, contact Pat Hagara pat.hagara@meridianpto.org or Karen Enney karen.enney@meridianpto.org
- The Board will review and have the “vendors” present at the next PTO meeting
- A **VOTE** will take place in March for next year's fundraising event(s)

Climbing Wall – Linda Easterling

- The District was purchasing a 20' foot wall
- Linda stopped the process because she had researched walls and with her \$11,500 budget planned on a 36' wall with safety mat
- We now have the wall Linda wanted and are waiting for permits, inspections, etc.
 - There are no specific dates
 - Will keep us posted on status
- Recess equipment is good, but gets lost in the snow
 - Will start putting out again when snow melts

Parent/Child Events – Cosey Stones

- Thank you to Tonia Johnston for her work on the flyers
- Thank you to Kim Merrill for her help getting volunteers
- Delightful Daughter Luau
 - Hawaiian decorations
 - Pay for pictures separately
 - Cash or check ONLY
 - Still need volunteers for set-up and clean-up
 - Trying to figure out best way to keep track of who has paid
 - Used spreadsheet last year, but it was difficult
 - Ideas suggested
 - Tickets, email confirmation, room parent
 - Decided to use room parent
 - Will add teacher's name to flyer
- Spectacular Son
 - Bowling at Chippers on 2/7 from 2-5
 - Cost is \$6.90 a person
 - Includes 2 games and shoes
 - Need volunteers to help with shoe distribution
 - Don't think we should preset lanes because boys will probably want to be with their friends

Staff Appreciation – Amy Helmick

- Made plaques for teacher gifts
 - Some fell apart
 - Have more if yours did
- Will be feeding teachers during conferences
- Will have Teacher Appreciation Week in April
 - If you have any ideas please contact Lana Barrett lane.barrett@meridianpto.org or Stacey Mari stacey.mari@meridianpto.org

Calendar Review – Kristine Rosen

- Chick-fil-A night is 1/26

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 pm.