

Roscoe PTO Minutes

9/14/2011

The meeting was called to order by Dave Franklin at 7:02 p.m.

Introductions

PTO Board: Dave Franklin – President; Rochelle Keener – Vice-President; Kim Henderson – Treasurer; Janine Idstein – Asst. Treasurer; Jean Weymer – Secretary

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were read from the May 9, 2011 meeting. Jennifer Franklin made a motion to approve the minutes and Janine Idstein seconded the motion.

Principal's Report

Mr. Novota expressed his appreciation for the great start of this school year.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Freedlund reported that although our school district has a large deficit for the third year in a row, we have maintained a great level of achievement and our students' education hasn't been affected. However, we must decide how to use the little funds that we have. We are in need of volunteers for strategic funding planning. Parents were asked at the orientations to volunteer and she had a good response. People can still volunteer. Phase 2 of the planning will start in Oct. Prior leadership has done a great job of not letting the lack of money affect our children and it is possible that people are not aware of how bad things are.

Superintendent Freedlund mentioned a way for us to try to win money for our district: US Cellular has a community campaign to share one million dollars between 18 schools: one school will win \$150,000 and 17 others will win \$50,000. You DO NOT need to purchase anything but you do have to stop in a US Cellular store and pick up a voting card that includes a special code that you need in order to vote. The closest store is up by Jessica's restaurant in Roscoe. You can vote once per day but you need to pick up a new card every time you vote. The site lists all 4 district schools but she asked that we concentrate our efforts and all vote for Kinnikinnick.

Committee Updates

- Heather Kline reported on Market Day, which is already \$100 over her goal for the month. Market Day raised \$8,000 last year and she hopes to raise \$9,000 this year.
- Shayla Smith sent an email regarding the progress of coke rewards. This fall, Mrs. Smrekar and Mrs. Labuy both received a lot of free art supplies. There were boxes of hundreds of markers, hundreds of sheets of construction paper, etc.
- Laura Colombo and Janine Idstein reported on the Walk-a-thon. Everything is on track. They have quite a few volunteers but need additional people to help.
- American-Made Market Place fundraiser will be a combination of two companies: SpiritCups and Bee Authentic. Everything in this fundraiser is made in the United States. SpiritCups are a set of 4 holographic cups sold for \$15. Cups come with many different logos, including most sport teams, military branches, colleges, etc. Bee Authentic includes organic spices, soaps, bee's wax candles, t-shirts, etc. This fundraiser starts in Oct.

- Family Restaurant Night... Buffalo Wild Wings on Sept. 21 from 5-9. BWW will donate 10% of all sales (not including alcohol) for those with a coupon. Sabrosa's will also donate money for all of those who purchase the family meal who have a special coupon, dine-in or carry-out. The links for the coupons will be on the website.

Treasurer's Report

The budget for 2011-2012 was reviewed.

Questions/Comments included:

- Diane Lapins mentioned that we have not had Math and Science Night for several years. Discovery Center charges \$300 and everything is done for us. We only need to find volunteers. The board will research and a vote will be taken at the next meeting.
- Yumiko Shiga wanted more details on how teacher requests are handled. The process was explained by Treasurer Kim Henderson.
- Heather Kline questioned the amount set aside for the NSF Check account, wondered what the category of "Last Year's Request" meant and wondered why money was put in the category of "PTO Computer and Printer" rather than in the category of "Supplies."
- Sherry O'Day asked which companies are being used for the Cookie Dough and Candy Bar fundraisers. World's Finest Chocolate will supply the candy bars and it has not yet been decided which company will supply the cookie dough. Stone Creek, Ledgewood and Kinnikinnick will sell cookie dough and Kinnikinnick and RMS will sell candy bars.

The budget was approved.

Reminders

- No School on Sept. 23
- Calendars still available for \$5.00
- Limited number of 2010 yearbooks left from SC/LW. Cost is \$10

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 p.m.