

PTO Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2010

YMCA Day Camp – Representatives from the YMCA Day Camp spoke about the details of the summer camp. Price is \$161 per week, per child. Location is new, at the Armory by Riley Park. Student to counselor ratio will be 6 to 1 for 6 and 7 year olds and older groups will be 10 to 1.

Vice President: Tracy Black – Everybody Counts program complete and all went well. Announced and explained the Carline Day Award...now accepting nominations which have been sent out. Officer Positions need to be filled. A Nominating Committee was formed to approve and elect officers for 2010 -2011 school year. Tracy Black, Jen Popp, Terri Miller and Jennifer Bain have volunteered to help.

Treasurer: Terri Miller – Carnival was our biggest income of the year. Main expenses this month are the 3rd grade Fiesta Day and teacher receipts, which are still coming in.

Auction & Carnival - Net profit of \$13,467.45...up 20% from last year. Campus Life students were a huge help in making Carnival a success.

Box Tops: Angie Henry – One more party for the overall class winner of the year will be in May. Treats for this party will either be sno-cones, ice cream or a candy buffet. Profits from Box Tops have exceeded \$2,000.

Brax Spirit Cup Sale: Jennifer Bain – Discussed if we wanted to sell again next year. As long as the sale is held earlier in the year, all were in favor. We will be looking at October for a tentative date. Jennifer Bain will run the sale again.

Fifth Grade Graduation: Discussed the possibility of a 4th and 5th grade celebration next year as opposed to graduation. Suggestions were made to take a tour of the new school and a party or field day.

Market Day: Sysily Miller – Excited about the new representative, Sherry Keation. Sherry brings new ideas and a lot of energy! Sales are down a bit from last year.

Movie Night: Kristin Ely – Decided to put Movie Night on hold for a couple years due to low attendance and profit.

Apparel Sale: Sysily Miller and Trice Greene will be in charge of apparel for the 2010/2011 school year. We need to decide if we are going to do an in-house or web-based sale.

Teacher Appreciation: Teacher Appreciation week begins Monday, May 5th. Something exciting each day is planned for the teachers. Everyone is very happy with the many new ideas to make this a special week.

Yearbook: Lisa Hubbard – Yearbooks have been distributed and many compliments were given to the committee. Extras copies will be sold for \$20. Committee will look into raising the price of the yearbook next year in order to cover the cost of giving copies to free or reduced lunch students.

PTO Party Fee – After open discussion, the idea to charge \$5 per student to cover charges for drinks/snacks, during room parent parties, was decided to be put into effect for the 2010-2011 school year.

Mr. Kern - Discussed the changes that will be made at NPE for the 2010/2011 school year. Corporation budget cuts can be viewed at <http://shancock.newpal.k12.in.us/>

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Fundraisers** – Entertainment Books/Cookie Dough beginning of year, Spirit Cups possibly in October, and Pizza Kits possibly in January. Will revisit this and choose dates at a later time.
- **Briar Creek PTO** – Mr. Kern is looking into an appropriate amount for our PTO will donate to get the new PTO started.
- **School Clean-Up:** Missy Ackerman initiated a clean-up for NPE's play areas. Specifically, tiling for improved drainage, painting the lines for basketball, hopscotch and 4-square, in addition to removing the dead trees and shrubs. Eric Wiggington is collecting quotes for the project...first quote was \$2,700.
- **Dr. Randy Faunce, Southern Hancock Education Foundation:** Dr. Faunce is forming an Education Foundation for our school system. The foundation will be a 501c3, so all donations will be tax deductible. Looking for people to form a steering committee and would like representation from teachers, parents, business owners, etc. from the community. First Foundation meeting will be Wednesday, May 5th, 2010.

ATTENDANCE : Mr. Kern and 8 PTO members

NEXT PTO MEETING: May 13th at 7:00 in the Media Center