

PTO Meeting Minutes

November 3, 2009 6:30

Attendance: 11 members plus Mr. Kern

President: Missy Ackerman conducted the meeting.

Vice President: Tracy Black: Volunteer opportunities available for Prevent Blindness Vision Screening on November 13 and for Everybody Counts Program after Spring Break.

Treasurer: Teri Miller \$11,944 profit from Entertainment Books and Cookie Dough, \$3,049 deposited for Apparel sale estimate \$500-\$600 profit, PTO expense of \$671 for Carnival supplies.

Apparel: Sale is complete. A few items on backorder, will distribute when these items come in.

Auction: Kori Murphy The auction team is still busy soliciting businesses locally and as far away as Florida. We are receiving donations weekly! Donations for class baskets will be collected November 2nd - November 6th. We will be counting and taking notes of what is collected. A popcorn party will be given to the class that collects the most items at each grade level. Mr. Kern suggested Kori check with Darren Pile (caricatures) and Silly Safari for auction donations.

Box Tops: Angie Henry Popcorn Party for September winners on October 27. We also collected this month's box tops on October 27. Counts are definitely down from last month but every class except one turned in something! We are planning our next party and collection date for Friday, November 20. The next party will be pre-packaged cookies - possibly Oreo's!! Kayann has created a really neat display for a school hallway that will track what teacher is leading each grade level. We're hoping to put it in the hall going to the cafeteria. Angie will work with Mr. Kern on the placement of poster in or near the cafeteria.

Brax Cup Sales: Jennifer Bain The sale begins officially on Tuesday and will commence on Nov 17. Information packet and email has been sent to all families. A lot of positive feedback was given upon setting up the display and handing out the cups to the teachers at conference time.

Carnival: Jennifer Bain & Missy Ackerman: Theme: Road Trip. Date Saturday March 13, 2010 from 2:00 – 6:00. Prizes have been purchased (\$671). Obstacle Course and Bounce house reserved (\$300).

Entertainment Books & Cookie Dough: Lori Hagarty & Terri Miller: \$11,944 profit. Only 3 orders left in deep freezer to be picked up. Around 20 volunteers helped with distribution of Cookie Dough and Market Day.

Market Day: Lori Hagarty & Sysily Miller The 09/10 school has started very strong for Market Day. NPE has profited \$555.64 so far from Market Day---- Sept. Sale \$230.10 and Oct. Sale \$325.54. The November sale included pies and BOOS Bags. This year we sold 95 pies, up significantly to last years 25 pies sold. Also, this year we offered BOO Bags for \$1.50---a little Halloween treat bag that included a variety of products from Market Day. We were very happy with the success of the BOO Bag sale, with a total of 118 sold. We look forward to increasing our sales month over month to generate a profit for the success of NPE and its children! **December sale is cookie dough bonus month. NPE earns extra money for cookie dough sold.**

Movie Night: Kristen Ely & Connie Smith Movie night November 6 doors open at 6:30. Volunteer opportunities are still available.

Room Parent: Robin Biggs, Kate Dodd & Lori Burks – Halloween Party was a huge success.

Student Directory: Jennifer Popp, Tracy Black & Lisa Hubbard Completed. Lot's of positive feedback. Nice work ladies. A Suggestion was made to possibly have the directory available online next year.

Scrip, Roller Cave & Snapperz – Erika Twyford: Script orders due Nov. 7 and may be picked up Nov 14. A small turn out for Roller Cave was reported. Snapperz event was postponed until after Christmas Break.

Teacher Appreciation: Sharon Canfield, Ann Didelot, Janet Mann Teachers from grades K, 1 and 2 were recognized this week. Each received prizes and gift certificates were given. They will be recognized in small groups according to class/grade. A lunch is planned for all staff in May during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Web Site: Jennifer Popp Open to ideas for postings. A posting for class party ideas (games, snacks) was suggested.

Yearbook: Lisa Hubbard – This year we are trying something a little different for the NPE Yearbook. We would like our NPE students to design the cover for this year's book as well as the artwork that we will use throughout the yearbook. The deadline for turning in artwork to be used in the yearbook and for possible selection for the front and back covers is Friday, November 20. Photo retakes are Friday, November 6.

New Business

- Discuss PTO Room
Discussion regarding sharing the PTO room with Kindergarten teachers. PTO needs room for apparel orders, cup orders and auction items. Missy will work with Mr. Kern to find a solution for sharing the space.
- How much money should be set aside for new school PTO?
Figures need to be checked to see what amount was given to start Sugar Creek PTO. Mr. Kern will get with Mr. Strangeway and Mr. Miller about funds for Brier Creek PTO.
- Parent questioning why we don't collect money at the beginning of the year to pay for room parties.
No reason was found as to why we don't collect money other than personal accountability and the disbursement of funds.
Options discussed: PTO suggested dues to pay for parties (\$5-\$10)
Ordering cupcakes/cookies for entire school for snacks at party. Large quantity discount.
Work toward more uniform parties throughout the school?
Further discussion needed.

Mr. Kern:

NPE will have a Back-To-School Night on Monday, August 9 for one hour where students can meet their teacher and check out their classroom.

Our next meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2010 at 6:30.