

# PTA MEETING NOTES

January 19, 2010

**Introductions** – The following were in attendance:

- Laura McDermott – PTA President
- Lachelle – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher
- Karl Patzer – VP
- Shari Patzer, PTA parent
- Mary Ringelstetter – 4/5 teacher
- Kindergarten parent
- Lacy Fatajo, PTA parent
- Ann Murphy Lom, Endowment Leader
- Dawn Cunningham, PTA parent
- Michelle B., in charge of after school program
- Jamie, Treasurer

**No Minutes to Approve**

**Teacher Share**, presented by Lachelle

- New Dolphin Program started today
- Positive Behavior Supports – kids get dolphins for expected behavior
- Behavior Expectations will change monthly
- The first point of focus is hallway behavior
- Prizes/Rewards given at class level and school level when they fill their posters
- Entire staff (not just teachers) is involved in giving dolphins
- Above the Line Posters visible everywhere – Respectful, Responsible, Save, Learner
- Kids are excited about this program
- Teachers get lesson plan to teach new skill – ex level 5 voice vs level 1 voice
- Laura wants to know how PTA can help and mentions that we might discuss **Spirit Days** at some point
- Mary R mentions that kids like pajama days, crazy hat days, etc as community builders

**Teacher Share**, presented by Mary R

- Mary would like a grant for the Safety Patrol trip to DC because this was cut from the District Budget
- One 5<sup>th</sup> grader from each school is chosen to go on this trip with AAA
- Cost is \$400 for trip, hotel, food, chaperone, bus, etc
- Child is chosen based on respect, leadership, grades, volunteerism, etc
- Trip is in April/May for 4 days
- Trip has been available for the last 25 years
- Jamie motions, Shari 2<sup>nd</sup>, and all approved
- Mary was grateful for **Culver's Night** and thought it was a great success

**Family Night Update** from Michelle

**Literacy Night at Library on Feb 23**

- Multi-cultural event
- Michelle will email need for displays
- Hoping to get Stewart Statz to perform
- Trying to get Ace/Safe Haven kids there before event so that they can talk it up to their families

### **Science Night**

- Working on getting presenters
  - Meal included at all family nights so we don't have to feed kids before we get there
- Clubs** – are scheduled to start again February 1. They will offer 15 clubs.

### **Treasurer Report/Fundraiser Updates**

- \$567 from Box Tops
- Explanation given of Box Tops, Milk Caps, etc for new mom
- Jaime wants to put extra money in savings when not in use to earn interest
- We have to change budget because there is no more SCRIP available
- Do we want to have a fundraiser group to replace SCRIP?
- Dawn proposes we approve a business savings account, Laura 2nds and All in Favor
- Jamie will have freedom to move money between the checking and savings as needed

**Yearbook** – Table discussion again until Dianna is back

### **Endowment Update by Ann**

- Meet Tuesday, January 26 at 6:30
- Ann will send a message to all
- Need to get things going for silent auction
- Bring potential business donor ideas to the meeting

### **Staff Appreciation Week**

- Wendy Cruz has agreed to be in charge of coordination again
- We did Flaming Wok because owned by Hawthorne Family
- Someone mentioned that Chipotle might be willing to do a food donation
- 1<sup>st</sup> week of May

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

- H1N1 Clinic January 29 – need 5 parents to get kids between class and clinic between 8:30 am and end of clinic
- RIF February 19
- Laura does 2 RIF events over the summer and will send an email with updates/needs

### **Last Furlough Day of the Year – Potential to get Volunteers**

- The state is encouraging people to volunteer for the **Last Furlough Day** of the year
- Friday before Memorial Day – Ann will get us date
- We might want to ask people to help with Gardening or Shelving Books??

### **Show and Tell by Karl**

- Camera, MP3 Player, Video Recorder and Radio in one
- \$25 at Menards
- Used for teacher who wants kids to listen to audio books
- Karl loaded books for teacher
- Extended warranty available, headset compatible, charger and extra memory cards available