

Franklin School PTA Meeting

September 16, 2009

In attendance: Anne Miller, Michelle York, Tere Magana, Rachel George, Lisa Davis, Bea Michalik, Kathy Hinz, Colleen Ghasedi, Vina Brown, Heidi Jones, Michael Kim, Monica Macpherson, Kim Rogers, Suzanne Woods, Melissa Allen, Dave Conner, Gerry Kosanovic, Sandy Smith, Beth Nelson, Deb McCarty.

1. Minutes from September 2, 2009 were read and approved.
2. Community Building Report – Lisa and Melissa
 - a. Middle school welcome was well attended. There was a good turnout for the Welcome Tea, about 50 people. Back – to- School Picnic needs more volunteers to help run games etc. Are planning a Western Theme with side dishes and desserts provided by families. Burgers and hotdogs will be provided by the PTA. Information will be in the newsletter.
1. Jog-a-thon Update -Tere Magana
 - a. Volunteers still needed. Are missing the Jog-a-thon banner.
 - b. Met with Brenda to discuss what technology type items are needed in the school. The Middle school would like some interactive white boards. Brenda suggested talking to the PTA to see where funds are needed school wide. Decided to leave fund raising designation open this year because of the financial situation. That way funds could be used as necessary.
1. Are continuing to look for an Auction chair person or a group of individuals to head up an Auction committee.
1. Jennifer England Core Knowledge Conference Update read by Michael Kim
 - a. Has not had a teacher ask to go. Jennifer would like to leave Funds designated for the Core Knowledge Conference travel IF no one attends this year. Keep for next year. Dr. K recommends sending at least one teacher. By Friday Dr. K should know if any one will be attending.
1. Principal's Report – Dr. K
 - a. Parents and children seem happy!
 - b. Enrollment is still a problem because of low numbers especially at the Middle School level. Middle school enrollment is down district wide.
 - c. Some funds will have to be returned to the district if enrollment does not increase. Dr. K had planned to use the funds for Technology, Music and Aids.
 - d. He can not make any more staff cuts.
 - e. His priority will be to work with the district and finding ways to promote and market Franklin School of Choice in Corvallis. Dr K wants to create promotional material for Franklin in conjunction with the PTA. He is trying to communicate with the district that Franklin needs an identity. There is no one issue, but many little issues that create bigger problems for Franklin.
1. Treasure Report – Sandy Smith
 - a. Budget passed by electronic vote. It was mentioned that ALL PTA Members are allowed to vote, not just board members. Anyone wanting a vote on PTA issues must be a paid member.
 - a. No budget report presented at this meeting.
1. Communications – Suzanne
 - a. Appreciates feedback on updating the listserve and publishing the

- process for new families to sign up for the listserve. Anyone can post to the list serve.
- b. The first newsletter will be in hardcopy.

1. Community Building – Lisa Davis

- a. Needs people to help. Looking for leaders for movie nights, sock hop and the End - Of - Year – Party.
- a. It was suggested that the PTA create a sign up board with a list of events and volunteer opportunities.

1. Fundraising – Dave

- a. The Fine Arts Fundraising effort has reached \$3157.
- b. Lynn Kane updated on the Magazine Fund Raising effort. Sales start in November. Final dates have not been set. There will be an initial drive at school and then will continue on line throughout the year. Still not sure if gifts and gift wrap will be included again.

1. Scrip – Michael

- a. Is a monthly promotion. Are doing bi-weekly orders and delivery. Spread information by word of mouth.

Meeting adjourned: 9:35