

Date: May11, 2011

Location: Valhalla Commons

Meeting began: 6:43

Meeting adjourned: 7:47

Attendees:

Larry and Aliza Hauser, Vicki and Jack Chandler, Michelle Cordi, Monty Potter, Rachel Jorren, Sarah Szczenpanski, Jason Smith, Jaleane Moore, Sue McIntyre, Elizabeth Bagnel, Claire Wilson

New Business

Welcome and Thank You!

Financial and Budget Update

- Income @ \$28,000 budget is \$32000
- Projects \$2300
- Carnival \$4000
- \$1500 spent for Carnival.
- Account: as of April: \$16,000
- Take money out of arts and assemblies. \$350 from sponsor but check was written to school. Pam should not deposit check for PTA. Mr. Smith will talk to her to turn checks to the PTA.

Requests

- PTA is considering purchasing a grill. Michael Monson works at Costco and noted that the prices range from \$288 - \$600. He will pay for it and get reimbursed and Jason would be willing to pay \$200 towards the purchase. Motion passed to accept \$200 from the school and use to purchase a grill. Note: The lower end version did not come with a cover

Yard Sale / Food Sale

- PTA will use the standard \$120 startup funds to open the sale.
- Volunteers will be needed for the Friday night and Saturday set up at 7:30. We will also be asking people to bring extra pop canopies, tarps, wire hangers and plastic bags. All items on a table will be priced the same to avoid confusion. We would like to move as much merchandise as possible so we will be accepting our customer's best offer. Food tickets will be sold for 0.50 each. We will ask teachers if they have classroom supplies that they can donate. NW center will pick up at Sue McIntyre's so volunteers will be needed to move extra merchandise to her home.
- The school will be closed to non-volunteers. In case of rain, food can be served in the gym and the merchandise can be placed under the canopy or in the commons.

Staff appreciation

- The week was a big success and the teachers enjoyed everything that the PTA provided for them: food, gift bags, massages and car wash (25-30 teachers / staff had their car washed and 10 were vacuumed).

Talent Show /Spaghetti Diner recap

- 250-300 people attended the talent show and dinner. Next year we may have two food lines to reduce the wait.
- There were some technical difficulties with the sound system which are being corrected. The audio equipment is not compatible with iPods which will have to be resolved.

- Many families did leave early which may be due to the length of the program. Reducing the number of acts next year may prevent this. The number of acts can be reduced next year sound was an issue and families left early.

Next General Meeting: May 18, 6:30

- There will be a pot luck Pot luck dinner for all who attend the last general PTA meeting. Mr. Smith will introduce Valhalla's new principal, Rita Chadhuri. A Connect-Ed will be sent out to notify parents about the meeting and pot luck dinner. We also discussed calling parents to try a more personal approach.
- Jason suggested that the PTA have a membership table set up at the remaining school events to help increase membership prior to the next school year.
 - What Every Parent Wants to Know at Camelot Square on June 8th, 10:30 – 12. Marcela and Rachel / Larry can talk about the PTA.
 - Kindergarten round up June 2nd, 6:30
 - K-2 school musical on May 16th and 17th
 - 2nd grade concert May 24th
 - PTA Carnival: Table at the entrance.
 - Volunteer Tea June 6th,

Carnival

- Jack and Rachel attended the Boeing union meeting and had a chance to mention the Carnival..
- Donation flyers: Vicki to forward to Rachel so she can update.
- Buy hot dogs, pizza.
- A contest will be held for the classroom that brings in the most donations for raffle baskets. The winning criteria needs to be determined, but it was suggested that the classroom who fills up the most a garbage bags w/ donations will win.

PTA Fees (Monty please review numbers)

- PTA fees may be increasing:
- Current fees \$10 single and \$17 for family
- National fee for PTA may increase to \$2.25 (was \$1.75)
- Washington State \$7.25

Budget Cuts

- Para educators for all day Kindergarten will not be returning and Mr. Trevor Nelson, health and fitness teacher, will transfer to Mark Twain and ?????
- The number of custodians and guidance counselors may also be reduced.

Submitted by:
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Secretary

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