

JACOB WISMER PTO

Fostering School Spirit – Building a Strong Community

MEETING MINUTES

OCTOBER 13, 2009

Welcome:

Robin Muhlheim called the meeting to order at 7:00. Welcome and Introductions were done. Robin reviewed the goals of the PTO:

United community

PTO Awareness

Expand PTO participation

Approval of September Minutes:

Jana Hiser motioned to approve the minutes. Tobey Nelson seconded the motion. Motion voted on and passed.

Principals Report:

Rhett reported that Joan sends her great thanks for the PTO gift that was given.

She is in good spirits and her Thursday appointment will determine when she will return.

H1N1: Our schools are following the lead of Washington County Health Department. The H1N1 is a non reportable disease. Please go to website for most up to date information.

Field Update: The final walkthrough was done with the contractors. The contractors have cut the drain lines for the sprinklers and had to reseed the grass. The grass needs to continue to set so the area will remained closed until the spring. This includes the track.

The lower parking lot is now open for pick up and drops off. It has helped with the congestion upstairs. Both the Washington county sheriff and the district safety person will continue to watch this area and revisit if the area needs more stop signs, etc.

RTI: Carrie Kondor will be providing instruction that is research based. The instruction will start with reading. Teachers will be identifying students that need more interventions to help them reach bench marks.

Naglieri testing will happen with 3rd and 5th graders the week of 19th-23rd. This is a non-verbal test to help determine TAG students.

Conferences will be held October 29th and 30th

Three people have stepped up to serve on the JW LSC. They will continue to approve building use and then, once open the field use.

This year the field trip funds that the PTO has given to the school will be divided evenly between the grade levels, \$500 per grade level, not including Kindergarten. The teachers are very grateful.

Melissa Gilley asked what type of field trips will be taken. The teachers will use their discretion about bringing someone in or leaving. There will be some money carried over from last year.

VP Fundraising

Piccolo Mondo shopping day will be November 24th.

Jana is also working on having JW restaurants nights where a % goes to PTO.

Directories available in the office on Monday for review and then will be printed and hopefully out before Thanksgiving.

T-shirts will be out to student next week.

- Innisbrook: \$18515 has been received so far. Our goal was \$20,000. The sale has been extended for one week.
- Orders in the first or second of November.
- Easier this year as parents entered info themselves.

VP Community Events

Carnival update: An email is going out to get more volunteers. Raffle items are coming in slowly and the committee is trying to get sponsors. BAC is donating a \$100.00 gift card and the All Star Dance School is giving a gift card as well. Background checks need to be done and need to be shown at carnival. Stoller helpers also need to be checked by Rhett.

Art Infusion Team: Melissa Gilley reported that our artist in residence will be Kaarin Pixton.

Volunteer Coordinators' report:

824 hours have been logged in so far. Volunteer orientation and classroom coordinator orientation is completed. We are still looking for someone to do the laminating for the school. All classrooms have a coordinator except for Mrs. Blechman. Vision and Picture day went well. The book fair is October 23-30th and we are still looking for volunteers. 250 new nametags have been made in the last few weeks.

JGB training will be on the 15th at 1:30

Colin Arnold brought up an issue with the clean up after picture day. The tables were left and not cleaned up at the end of the day. Rhett will check into the procedures for clean up. It should be on the set up sheet.

Member at Large report

Geralyn had nothing to report.

Staff Appreciation: Shari reported for October they will be decorating the staff room for Halloween. They are also planning a lunch for the staff on the 29th during conferences.

29th lunch for the staff

Treasurer's report

Tobey reported that t-shirts went well. Innisbrook is also doing well as reported earlier. Tobey reorganized the expenses on the worksheet so it made more sense. Recess materials were purchased such as jump rope material, hula hoops and more balls.

Site Council/LSC:

LSC: training on the 6th: First meeting next month

Site Council: November meeting

Grade level reports:

Kinder: working on patterning and PBIS learning

1st: trees and seasons

2nd: Daily 5 working on reading and writing using independent study

3rd: reading assessments; preparing for conferences; wax museum with biographies

4th: Maps of Oregon; piloting everyday math

5th: Colonial projects 28th fair

PE: reintroduction of games; problem solving for the older kids

Library: Book fair; author November 19th

Music: songs and dancing; using the map to see where the songs come from

MUSE: band class still open

Art: Mrs. Edens reports:

50% each art and literacy

Writing book with the sketching

4th and 5th adopted a tree; draw the tree and writing words about their tree. They will revisit the trees throughout the seasons and be observers.

Distribution of track funds account:

Robin reviewed why we have this money left over. A big thank you goes out to the Track Committee for working so hard on this project. Jeff Morgan's company Morgan Machinery made a donation of \$5000.00 to the track fund several years ago. These funds, per the Morgan family request, will be kept with the PE program.

Colin: After hearing that his department will be receiving this money he has given this a lot of thought. Much of the equipment in the gym needs to be replaced and he will need to purchase supplies to start a track walking program. He would like to come back in January with a more specific plan and costs. Also, he would like to keep some money for future years to replace PE equipment are starting to show wear and tear. He is very grateful to the Morgan's and the PE program for this money.

Rhett: Technology: Rhett gave a quick review to update where JW is with our current technology situation. Many machines are ready to be "retired". The technology committee came up with a three year plan and this extra money will allow us to act on this plan. See attached information on seniors and cost.

There was talk about a PCC connection to receive computers, however those computers are PC's and it is difficult to use these with the district network.

There was a discussion of laptops versus desktops. It seems the desktops have a longer "shelf" life than the laptops. A lite version of the district platform was put on the laptops and now many of them are running and in the classrooms.

Rhett is checking on what the district plans are for this year and the next several years in the area of technology. We will not purchase these computers until we know what the districts plans are.

Melissa Gilley motioned that \$17000 be used to purchase new desk tops computers according to the technology road map. Jana Hiser seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed.

New Business: None

Adjournment: 8:30