

MINUTES

Canyon Creek School's PTO Minutes

November 13th, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Krista Meier @ 6:30 p.m.

In attendance

Krista Meier, Megan Molm, Jeanne Broveak, Melissa Bickelhaupt, Amber Gilbert, Sarah Thorson. Mr. Lipp provided input at the end of the meeting

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the October 9th, 2012 meeting were not present, but recapped by Krista. This was accepted and approved.

New Business

- Family Fun Night - Movie Night - January 18th date approved. Mr. Lipp agreed to open the Gym and allow the snacks provided by the PTO. Free popcorn will be available and a PTO snack bar offering candy, pop and water for \$1.00 each. A "Double Feature" night with an animated film early in the evening and a title more suited to Junior High later. Suggestions were taken for the time of the event. This will be finalized with the other details at the **PTO planning meeting** for this event **Tuesday December 11th @ 6:30 PM at the Rib & Chop House**. Krista will make reservations. Please contact Krista if you will attend.

- 2-4-6 Reading Celebration- Incentive planning. The week of February 5th - 19th date approved, considering that the Science & Curriculum fair (2/21) and MCT (2/25-3/2) also take place in February. Discussion occurred about potential rewards and incentives for this event. Commentary continued about age appropriate rewards and the system for awarding them. A \$500.00 budget for prizes was approved. A consensus of agreement that Nook/Kindle and iTunes should be grand prizes. Megan will research finding Nook/Kindle discounts and Melissa will contact iTunes for options. Other prizes will be determined when the rewards system is finalized. These ideas included individual and class prizes. The PTO will make a teacher presentation at the December 12th (7:30am)

staff meeting explaining this new event to the teachers and seeking input on incentives, appropriate goals for the student body, and teacher assistance available.

- Family Fun Night - The Reef – October 26th from 5-8 pm. 30 swimmers and 15 spectators. The PTO would like to remind participants at any of the Family events that supervision of the children is shared by the families at the event and not the sole responsibility of the PTO.

- Scholastic Book Fair - THANK YOU Kim Harper and volunteers! Exact accounting from the Fair was not available at the meeting. Approximate income from the Fair was \$3,100. Resulting in an approximate \$1,500 merchandise/rewards credit for the library and classes. Feedback from participants included inventory selection and the possibility to offer a Scholastics catalog to shoppers who didn't find what they wanted, or whose desired merchandise had been sold out. Krista will check with the school representative at Scholastics for answers to these inquiries.

- Website progress- Mr. Lipp reported at the close of the meeting that the school website team has - within the week - restructured and reports PTO information will be posted in a more timely manner. The option of PTO taking some of the burden for website updates is appreciated but declined. A discussion of exploring the use of a Face book page as means of communication and events updates was approved earlier in the meeting. However, not enough facts had been presented at that time and this was declined according to a no-Face book policy at the administrative level. The Canyon Creek School is in the early stages of setting up the ability to use "Power School" to send out notices by email. Mrs. Clark is the administrator of this feature and will help us utilize this means for communication when it is available. PTO will continue to use email and student take-home flyers.

- o The Canyon Creek School Directory - Mr. Lipp also reported that the initial complications of assembling the parent/student contact information within the directory has been resolved and progress can now be made. He estimated that the directory would be completed and distributed by the end of November.

Next Meeting

No PTO meeting scheduled for December - we wish you all Happy Holidays!

January 15th in the Library @ 6:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:45 p.m. and was passed unanimously. Mr. Lipp arrived at that time and those interested stayed and continued discussions for PTO.