

Donlon PFC Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2007

Meeting came to order at 7:29pm

Approval of Minutes

- Minutes were approved with the following change: Mr. Schweitzer has not yet spent the money on the materials for the robotics club, due to a backorder situation. He will notify the PFC when the money needed should be transferred.

Principal's Update

- Field: now belongs to the PUSD. Fences will come down mid-April or early May.
- Staffing: Sara Johnson, our speech therapist had surgery and will be out until February. Parents can seek outside speech therapy with district approval, as we have no replacement for her at this time. This district is actively working on finding a replacement. The counseling situation is currently being worked on and will be announced shortly. A Computer Technician has been hired - Lucy Myers.
- Distinguished School: a great committee has been put together to work on this. There have been two meetings so far. Mr. Schweitzer is writing the application himself and it will be edited by Cameron Sullivan. Our theme for the application is "Loud and Proud" and "Donlon, where Cubs Grow Strong."

Committee Updates

- Red Ribbon Week: went well and the kids had fun with the theme days. Girl Scout troops helped cut the ribbons and make posters. All was well until the bomb dogs got called away...
- Bingo: only 42 people have signed up so far. After discussing, it was decided to go ahead anyway, even though ideally we wanted a minimum of 110 people in attendance.
- Craft Fair: December 1st. We have 24 vendors so far (more or less) and will be selling water bottles, chips, cookies, and raffle tickets to raise additional money. Barbara Benedetto will begin marketing ASAP, posting signage around town.
- Holiday Giftshop: set-up will be on Sunday, December 2nd, with sales the following week.

- Outdoor Ed Fundraising: about half of the 5th graders have turned in orders so far, grossing \$16,000. Profit was \$8000. Orders will be delivered on 11/14. Another batch of orders will be collected on 12/7 with delivery before Winter Break.
- Boxtops: Donlon will receive a check in the amount of \$1114 on 12/15!
- Fall Carnival: 900-1000 people attended this fun event. Final numbers are not yet reported but we incurred a loss of approximately \$1000. Monster Fun Jumps will not be used again as we were unhappy with their services and fees. Laura Molnar is looking into recouping some costs for frames that were purchased but never received.

New Business

- Teacher Staff Room: the staff room is being painted (with paint donated by Kelly Moore) by Cheryl Thoe and her mom and looks great! Other improvements are coming and many donations have been solicited.
- Library Salary: PFC currently funds approximately \$7100/year for an additional hour per day for the Librarian. This enables all classes to go to the library every week instead of every other week. A discussion was opened up and issues brought up were: Does the PFC want to be in the salary business? Is it worth it to fund the extra time? Are there alternatives, such as parent volunteers, to allow classes to visit every week without having the Librarian there for the extra hour each day? Can we change the classroom schedule around and tighten it up so as to allow classes to still have library time each week? It was decided to hold off on further discussion until a dialog is had with the teachers. We have until February 2008 to make a decision.

Old Business

- Budget: budgets were handed out. Items in blue indicate changes made from the budget last reviewed at October's meeting. All items in red are no longer part of the budget. A motion was made to approve the budget and it passed unanimously.
- Teacher Treasurer update: Margo will give out the teacher grants next week.
- Directory: Laura and Christy are working on wrapping up any loose ends and getting the final product out soon.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17pm