

Cedar Mill PTC Minutes 9-05

Attendees: Desirea Muraoka, Sarah Thom, Tracy Pierson, Gillian Dyall, Scot Stockwell, Laurie Maheu, Maryam Zare, Sandi McRae, Jenny Hagerup, Sheryl Moran, Christina Stanton, Didi Ellis, Elisabeth Luu, Linda Sherman, Ginny Stonick, Maureen Wright, Brian & Shannon Phelps, Karen Zwerling, Eva Balog, Anne Chastain, Jennifer Waldrip, Colleen Lay, Shelly Bridges, Kim Haskins, Amber Connell, Sherry Walters, Karen Dellinger, Wende Ellis, Mandy Jahn, Nancy Rad, Amy Corris, Kathy Hall, Beverly Butler.

Opening: The meeting was called to order by Sarah Thom at 7.06 pm, and she introduced the PTC board.

Budget: Total assets are \$17,316 with \$287 5th grade carry over. This year we have budgeted \$25,900. Questions about the budget? Contact Desirea at desireamuraoka@yahoo.com.

Volunteer Orientation: Johanna Shrout from the Beaverton School District distributed new volunteer handbooks and emphasised the fun of volunteering. Things to note are to always sign in and out and wear name tags for safety, and always log volunteer hours, even hours done at home, as these are counted for matching donations and district records. If you log 60 hours the first year and 120 hours the next, you are eligible to join the Portland Teachers' Credit Union. Former teachers can use volunteer hours for licence renewal. When volunteering in the school, we are to work within sight and sound of a certified teacher. Please be dependable, confidential, and leave any discipline to the school staff. Off site opportunities to volunteer include Clothes Closet, CEYP at Merlo Station, and the OASIS program (for seniors).

Laurie Maheu is PTC volunteer coordinator who helps fill the needs of the school with volunteers. Please sign up for what you would like to do on the pink sheet. Janet Vanoni coordinates the classroom volunteers, and Nancy Rad does the name tags and tallies the volunteer hours on sign-in cards. The tags and cards are to the Left of Carla's desk in the office. Put your name on the list if you do not yet have a name tag and use a temporary one for now. The star stickers represent years of volunteer service. Each volunteer has their own sign-in card, please specify the category (PTC event, Classroom, LSC or Site Council) and include at-home volunteer hours, even watching someone else's child so that they can volunteer.

Urgent needs for volunteers at this time include help with Curriculum Night childcare, both the 13th and 20th September from 6 – 7.30 pm. Also we need coordinators for the School Dance (Sock Hop) and Carnival, or these events will not happen. Contact Laurie at maheu6@comcast.net if you can help. We are also looking for classroom coordinators, one for each class, contact Janet at Vanoni4@comcast.net.

Clothes Closet: Our school's day for volunteering at the clothes closet will be September 14th. Please contact Kathy Hall if you can help kathyjohall@yahoo.com, especially the 2.30-4 pm shift.

Library: The classrooms begin going to the library next week. If you are interested in volunteering for your child's class or at any other time please contact Gillian at kgdyall@earthlink.net.

BBQ: The Back to School BBQ and outdoor movie night is scheduled for Friday 9th September.

Passport Club: This PTC sponsored Geography Enrichment Program will be beginning this year. Students grades 1-5 will be learning a minimum of 5 geographical locations and identifying them on a world map to receive stamps in their passports. Teachers will go over the locations once a month, but primarily it is for parents to do at home. Amanda Jahn needs volunteers to check the kids on the last Friday afternoon of each month, and others to do prep work at home. Please contact her at jahnfamily@comcast.net.

Art Literacy: This year there will be 5 artists on the theme of color. Volunteers will be trained on a Wednesday morning for an hour, then take the slide presentation and art project to each classroom (allow 2 hours). Two volunteers per class are needed, you can arrange it according to your schedule and you don't have to be artistic. Please contact Colleen Lay thelays@comcast.net or Amber Connell amber.connell@comcast.net.

Enrichment Classes: So far plans have been made for Art, French, Acting, and Comic Book (with Ben Adams). Also 3 assemblies: Do Jump, Rainbow Dance, and Imago Group. Details to follow.

Principal's Update: Scot said that school is off to a great start with small class sizes and great new staff members. We have additional kindergarten and 1st/2nd grade classes. Also, the kiln is finally installed!

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8.30 pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Gillian Dyall
Secretary