

Cedar Mill PTC Minutes 10-05

Attendees: Desirea Muraoka, Sarah Thom, Tracy Pierson, Gillian Dyal, Scot Stockwell, Sandi McRae, Mandy Jahn, Amy Corris, Gail Bolte, Janet Vanoni, Jillane Onasch, Stephanie Amato, John Ragno, Jeff Lichtman, Chris Marino, Laura Manning, Gail Turney, Susan Rodriguez, Julie Eggers, Heidi Johnson, Sally Weber, Maryrose Raegen.

Opening: The meeting was called to order by Sarah Thom at 3.17 pm, and she introduced the PTC board.

Minutes: Complete minutes were distributed to and reviewed by members via e-mail prior to the meeting. Gillian Dyal reviewed open items from September's minutes. The minutes were approved as submitted.

Budget: This year we have budgeted \$25,900, and spent \$1305 with \$24,595 remaining. Total assets are \$16401. Desirea Muraoka presented the budget report which was approved as read. She requested that we use check request forms so that she knows which category to record expenses. We added \$2912 to the budgeted amount to account for items that were approved last year but not yet spent. We have the money for them. Additions to the 2005-2006 budget were \$638 for "Be safe/kind/responsible" bracelets for every student, which will be given out by Scot during group visits to his office, and \$250 additional monies for Passport club since start-up expenses ran higher than anticipated. They have added laminated maps, and need more passports for new students who come during the year.

Passport Club: This PTC sponsored Geography Enrichment Program began last month. Kids were enthusiastic and there was a great rate of success due to starting at a simple level. This month students in grades 1-5 will be learning 5 geographical locations per level. Teachers will help them choose an appropriate level and go over the locations each month, but primarily it is for parents to do at home. Amanda Jahn requested that teachers stick to their sign-up times as they check classes through very fast. It is possible that we may be able to list the locations on the school website. They will be listed on the back of the map that comes home with students each month.

Fundraising: For those who love Sally Foster wrapping paper we will have the opportunity to buy it over the internet with profits going to the school. Flyers and e-mail links will be sent out with details and the school's ID number. Send the e-mail link on to relatives and friends. The auction this year will be held off-site for adults only on Saturday February 11th. There will be good food at \$18 per head, with the opportunity to buy drinks. Most of the silent auction items will be there, but posters for kids to sign up for classes with teachers will be at Art Night on March 2nd to allow the kids to see these items. Moneys from both these auctions will be combined. How it is split between teacher wishlists and the PTC fund will be determined by the fundraising committee. They will also discuss the possibility of covering teachers' expenses for student activities. Taryn Hensley and Sandra Miller will contact all the teachers about class projects. Lynn Whitehead may be able to get several chairs for painting. The Fun Run is scheduled for Oct 27th and 28th, the proceeds will pay for geography supplies (pull down classroom maps), and remaining monies will go to the PTC fund. Sponsor forms will be sent home soon.

Roster: The roster has experienced some technical difficulties but should be out soon. Order forms, including some in Spanish, will go out soon. We may not pursue advertising in the roster but the fundraising committee will look into rotating advertising in the Quill.

T-shirts: We can keep the costs down by limiting the choices, for example doing all one color.

Health Screening day: Thursday October 13th. Will cover vision only, not lice. Lice screening takes too long with usually no results. If lice are discovered on a student, then that classroom will be screened.

Principal's Update: We have opportunity to buy \$5 tickets for Trailblazer games on 12/4 and 12/18, get your orders in fast! He would like some help with tallying orders.

Roundtable: Teachers were invited to give input. Suggestions included having cultural presentations tied to passport club. Desirea Muraoka will be chairing a Cultural Event this year. Ideas for after school programs are welcomed by Sandi McRae and Maryam Zare. Ben Adams will be starting his comic book class soon. There are some kids in desperate need of glasses or dental work but the paperwork can take months. Sandi will try to find out how we can speed the process for those identified at Health Screening day. A paper shredding truck was suggested as a fundraiser: people pay a few dollars and see their stuff shredded. Also, scrip was suggested, perhaps for another time since we already have fundraising plans for this year. Also, restaurant nights, which we are not doing due to focussing on monthly family events at school. We might add these later in the year if we need to raise more money.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4.30 pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Gillian Dyal, Secretary