

Coyote Springs PTO
Board Meeting
September 4, 2008

PTO Board Members:

President: Michell Hacker
Vice President: Denice Keating
Treasurer: Courtney Stephenson
Secretary: Denise Merritt
Hospitality: Jenny Torp
Membership: Jenny Allerdings
Volunteer Coordinator: Lisa Hughes

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm

In Attendance: All board members, several teachers and parents (list with Secretary).

Presidents report – Michell Hacker

July minutes passed – Denise K. motioned, Jenny A. 2nd.

Shade Structures and Drinking Fountain – The PTO will be holding several fundraisers to pay for the structures. We will be asking parents to help with footers, etc. The drinking fountain should cost approximately \$3,000 which the PTO has funds for.

Brenda Armstrong Request – Has requested \$250 for “walk to read” program as well as \$50 for paper and \$70 for ink. Jenny A. motioned, Denise M. 2nd, passed unanimously. She also needs volunteers to move reading lab to library.

Nurse’s Request – Has requested \$30.32 to reimburse her for locks on cabinets. Michell H. motioned, Jenny A. 2nd, passed unanimously. Also needs volunteers for all day screenings on 9-29.

Austin Turner – Dr. Fahrni started by thanking Austin and his family for all of the work done in the Habitat. Austin then introduced himself as an 8th grade student and an Eagle Scout. He is working on an Eagle Scout project to put two 14’x20’ shade structures in Habitat. The cost for each covers is \$658, totaling \$1316. The company he will purchase the structures from will reimburse the cost of the structures if he takes pictures. He requested that PTO fronts the money for the structures and will be reimbursed by the company later. He hopes to complete the project in September and October. Austin will be the coordinator of the project and will have other scouts volunteer their help as well. Michell H. motioned, Denise K. 2nd, passed unanimously.

Sammy Marty – She was nominated for People to People by Mr. Gettman last year. She is currently in Mrs. Niece’s 5th grade class. She will leave for 1 week on 9-29. She thanked the PTO for their donation of \$500.

Upcoming Events – The book fair will be coming up and sign-ups will begin. There is also a blood drive being planned in November.

Vice Presidents report – Denice Keating

Harvest Festival – Will be held on October 17th. All profits are given to the participating teachers. The board will be asking for volunteers for this night.

Treasurer Report – Courtney Stephenson – Courtney asked if parents had received “Free money” packets – yes, they were sent home. Total costs & profits were given: Movie Night costs \$962.94 (thanks to Jenny A.); Discount Card profits \$781.00 (thanks to Lani Hammond); Freedom Station profits \$138.00

Financial Report:

Reserves

BMHS Scholarship	\$ 0.00
Habitat Reserve	\$ 1424.95
Music	\$ 0.00
Principal’s Account	\$ 2935.23
Comp. Rm. Printers	\$ 0.00
Concrete	\$ 0.00
DVD’s	\$ 0.00
People to People	\$ 500.00
Young Author Fund	\$ 0.00
<u>PTO funds</u>	<u>\$12385.05</u>
Grand total	\$17245.23

Volunteer Report – Lisa Hughes

Volunteer Report – 42 volunteers, 498 hours.

Fundraiser Possibilities – The board is focusing on fundraisers that will give the highest profits and will try to coordinate appropriate timing throughout the year. She is looking at See’s Candies for the holidays, Avon for the springtime/Mother’s Day, etc. QSP has different catalogs we can use that have lower prices. Also, Lisa has several restaurant contacts that the individual grades may use for fundraiser nights.

Box Tops – There is a special Double Points time until October 24th. Each family may fill up 2 sheets of 30 box tops and receive double points.

Plastic Bags – Dr. Fahrni stated that the school earned \$500 last year. She will be holding a contest for the students to decorate the plastic bag bin.

Membership Report – Jenny Allerdings

Memberships – 18 business, 95 personal and 44 staff members. Mrs. Hunt’s class was winning.

Spirit Cart – The PTO has a Spirit cart now. We are ordering items to be sold such as water bottles, wrist bands, etc. Spirit day will be on Fridays. We hope to have items in about 3 weeks. There will be set days that spirit items will be sold.

Hospitality Report – Jenny Torp

Food service workers’ day is 9-19, Jenny T. requested \$80, Courtney S. motioned, Michell H. 2nd.

Custodian day is 10-2, requested \$100, Jenny A. motioned, Courtney S. 2nd.

Teacher Conference dinner will be 10-23. Teachers prefer a hot, catered meal.

Principal Points – Dr. Fahrni thanked the PTO board for their support. Her fund has been spent on integrating new programs for the students like “peaceful options”. She is also working on getting more outside equipment. Her supply money from the state has been shortened 2 years in a row. She is also working on positive reinforcement programs such as “lunch buddies”.

There was a discussion about the lawn problems. Dr Fahrni stated that the watering timer had broken and therefore the lawn was not able to be watered properly.

Site Council – Dr. Fahrni explained that the site council meetings are designed to look at broader picture of the school and how it can be improved. Concerns are discussed and solutions are sought.

Other Items - The board also discussed the costs and varying profit margins of t-shirts, sweatshirts, etc.

The board is looking into recycling paper.

There was also a discussion about membership fees and credit for children.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm