

**BOARD MINUTES
Maple Hills PTA
Wednesday, March 18, 2009**



Soaring to New Heights

(note: motions passed, Board decisions, and action items are in **bold**)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m. by President Jennie Wildermuth. The meeting was held in the SAGE room. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Pam Stucky had previously distributed the minutes from the February meeting. **Motion was made and seconded to approve the February minutes as presented. Motion passed.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Joan Friel distributed the year-to-date fiscal report. We currently have \$42,134.26 in General funds and \$604.70 in Emergency Prep funds.

- As previously, noted the teachers have spent their math and science enrichment money. **Jennie Wildermuth will give us a list of what the money was spent on.**
- Ms. McCulloh purchased a Cri-cut die cut machine. This equipment belongs to the PTA and can be used by any staff member. **Jennie will label it and add it to the PTA Equipment List**

Motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion passed.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Nominating committee: Rebecca Carter shared the positions that currently have nominees in them. There are several committee chairs which need nominees: membership, legislative rep, ways and mean, one-time events, ISF, newsletter, and ongoing events.
- Golden Acorn: Congratulations to award recipients Joan Friel, Dawn Peschek and Kimberly Montague (council level)
- Legislative Rep: Dawn Peschek has spent quite some time in Olympia chatting with our local rep and the rep from Federal Way about House Bill 2261. **Dawn will give a list of representatives who will be invited to the auction to Lisa DeVogel.**

VOLUNTEER'S REPORT

Volunteers of the month are Nancy Gunderson and Laurae Briggs

- Kindergarten roundup: Over 70 students were registered. Two full-day classes were formed with 20 students in each. More staffing/class size information for these and half-day classes will be known in June.
- Spring Dessert: Brandi St. Pierre is chairing this event which is coupled with the Art Walk and Book Fair on 6/4. **A motion was made and seconded to move \$100 from the "other" line item to the Spring Dessert line item. Motion passed.**
- Staff Appreciation: will be organized by the PTA Board this year.

SITE COUNCIL

The new Mirrormont representative is Libbie Fitzgerald. There was a discussion of who is responsible for removing graffiti from the playground. Further discussion on this matter will occur.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

- Yearbook: The Board previewed the yearbook and voted for a cover design.
- Kinder Kickoff: 20 families are signed up for this summer playgroup
- Student Directory: Information will be stored electronically next year so it should be received more quickly than in the past. Kimberly Montague, Joan Friel and Nancy Gunderson will produce the directory for 2009-2010

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Beane discussed building issues: the school has put in a list for critical repairs covered under the legislative levy. Some examples of items submitted are reblacktopping the play area, redoing the gutters, constructing another covered area as well as other repairs needed to satisfy fire codes. She also shared the difficult staffing issues we are facing in light of the forthcoming budget cuts. The IEA (teacher's union) will set a line by 4/20 to submit staffing cuts. All cuts will be based on seniority only. RIF notices will be given to staff by 5/15. The teachers are meeting on 3/20 to discuss ways to handle the impending staffing changes which may include teachers with more seniority transferring into Maple Hills. Mrs. Beane has requested that the Board be sensitive to these difficult issues and is doing her best to keep morale up. There are many unknowns at this point given that the Governor may not approve the State budget until July. Ways to communicate these changes with the student body were discussed. More discussion will take place in the future.

GUEST SPEAKER

Denise Cramer, Maywood's current PTA president, shared the list of their open committees for the 2009-2010 school year for the purpose of soliciting volunteers.

ONGOING PROGRAMS REPORT

- Eagle Reader: Clubhouse today
- Student Banking: will likely be discontinued by Chase Bank next year
- Garden Docent: work party today

ONE-TIME EVENTS REPORT

- Science Fair: went well.
- Science Van is March 30-31st. Volunteers are needed for set up and clean up
- Pizza Bingo: prizes need to be solicited

WAYS AND MEANS REPORT

- Eaglewear: 39 items were ordered. Kimberly Montague recommends selecting a different vendor due to the sizing problems.
- Auction: Lisa DeVogel showcased two of the centerpieces that are up for auction. Ticket prices were finalized: \$40 for individuals and \$650 for a 10-person table. We have received over \$7,000 in sponsorship money.
- Popcorn Friday: we tried a less expensive oil which tastes good.
- PACE: has made more money than expected.

NEW BUSINESS

Joan Friel distributed the budget changes that the Executive Committee discussed at the Executive committee meeting on March 3rd. **She will email supporting documents to discuss at the next meeting. All board members are asked to look at programs that can be cut or changed by the next meeting.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Maureen Todd is hosting a volunteer luncheon on 4/30 at 12:55 p.m. in the library. Childcare will be provided for children 2 and older.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Pam Stucky, Secretary