

**BOARD MINUTES-UNAPPROVED**  
**Maple Hills PTA**  
**Wednesday, October 15, 2008**



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 9:40 am by President, Jennie Wildermuth. The meeting was held in the PTA portable. A quorum was present.

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

- There are 421 students enrolled this year (up from 411 last year).
- Facilities: The field received the wrong type of sand this week; it will be scraped out, mixed with other sand and re-spread
- Computer lab: Electrical work is incomplete: computers are running slowly due to surge strips having to be used. An electrician has been called to complete the job
- Reading Zone is up and running. We are in need of an EA to help with 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.
- Parent EAs are assisting in the afternoons on the playground.
- A decision-making committee has been formed, headed up by Karen Works. It is tasked with creating a decision-making model to assist with staff decisions.
- A discipline/behavior policy committee, headed by Christina Stempson, has been created to foster consistency and positive reinforcement in discipline. They will decide as a school what works best in the office, playground and classroom.

A question was raised regarding the removal of the sandbox. It was removed due to health concerns over cats defecating in it. Other options will be considered.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Pam Stucky distributed the minutes from the September meeting. **A motion was made and seconded to approve the September minutes as presented. Motion passed.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Joan Friel distributed the fiscal report for year-to-date. We currently have \$26,857.35 in available funds, \$28,465.35 in General funds, \$1,608 in Emergency Prep fund, and \$30,838.89 in a CD (including interest)

- Book Fair made \$5,400
- PACE funds continue to come in
- A Walk-a-thon corporate match from Boeing came in
- Donations were made to ISF and the Stacey Watts Benevolent Fund

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

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- East Highlands Fitness Center offered to donate their \$25 membership fee to the PTA via an offer in the on-line newsletter. **The consensus agreed that this type of offer is best suited as an auction item or as a PACE option.**
- Rebecca Carter will chair the next meeting, November 19<sup>th</sup>, in Jennie Wildermuth's absence.

## **BOARD MINUTES - Maple Hills PTA – 10/15/08 (continued)**

### **SITE COUNCIL**

- All neighborhoods are represented. A middle school liaison is needed.
- The code of conduct will be changed
- A discussion continues regarding birthday celebrations and Camp Colman; Camp Colman's budget will be discussed at the January General PTA meeting (how much to contribute and where it goes)
- Eagle Club is focusing on fitness and nutrition

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

The PTA currently has 381 members, 40 short of 100% membership. **Thank-you notes and coupons will be sent by Lori Boots**

- Yearbook: going well
- Parent Ed: the publisher of the article, "Love, Limits and Latitude-Principles for Parenting" denied reprint of the article. Rebecca Carter will distribute another version.

### **ONGOING PROGRAMS REPORT**

- Art Docent: The art docent meeting had a good turnout. There is a lot of parent support. Given that fact only \$40 per classroom is allocated for art, a suggestion was made to "raise the paddle" for art at this year's auction. Options were discussed for art space/after-school enrichment. The PTA portable is not approved for student use. Activity room or multipurpose room use is possible with office/district approval. Any PTA sponsored event requires a contract and any money associated with it goes through the PTA Treasurer. **Lana Matson will discuss storage options for art supplies with Keith Browitt and Mrs. Beane.** She is looking to work with Crystal Pyren to find space/write grants for art. The ArtWalk is on the calendar for Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. Teacher survey results need to be compiled in order to obtain staff buy-in. **Lana Matson will discuss with Monique Beane**
- Student Banking: began on October 14<sup>th</sup>
- Math Club: 30 students enrolled. A waiting list had to be formed
- Garden: a garden day is planned

### **ONE-TIME EVENTS REPORT**

- Science Fair: two individuals are interested in chairing this event.
- Reflections: needs to be advertised more as the deadline for submission is November 4<sup>th</sup>
- Sock Hop: this Friday at 6:30 p.m.
- Book Fair: made \$5,400
- Variety Show: verifying times
- Math Team: in need of one or two chairs for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades. The event will not happen without one
- Pizza Bingo: now has a chair
- Field Day: needs a chair

### **VOLUNTEERS REPORT**

- Volunteers of the month are Lisa Kutzke and Lana Matson
- PTA Directory form needs a line for city and zip code along with a line for student's first name. This will make inputting in the database easier.

**WAYS AND MEANS REPORT**

- Box Tops: are being counted
- Popcorn: the machine needs repairs totaling approximately \$280. It will be out of commission for 2 weeks. **Molly Caskey will research the cost of replacement vs. repair**
- PACE: 51 families enrolled; \$490 dollars made to date
- Eagle Sales: orders are coming in; reminder letter going out
- eScrip: \$367 to date

**ADDITIONAL REPORTS**

- Treasurer: Our insurance renewal is due December 1<sup>st</sup>. The fee remains \$470. **A decision was made not to purchase additional identity theft coverage.** Joan Friel reiterated that any cash counting sheet requires two people to sign the form **and** count the money

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

Pam Stucky, Secretary