

The PLMS PTO met on Monday, September 17th at 7:00 in the PLMS library. There were 14 people in attendance. Since it was the first meeting, all present introduced themselves.

Secretary's Report

The minutes of the May meeting were posted on the PLMS PTO website and were approved. Two

Treasurer's Report

The current treasurer's balance is \$3372.09. The audit conducted over the summer showed that the bank statement was \$100 off from the actual balance due to a check not having cleared yet. There was also one insufficient fund check and one check not received due to dispute for product from last year's fundraiser. These amounts will be reimbursed by the school from this year's fundraiser.

The PTO worked the concession stand for the volleyball tournament 9/8/07. The boosters were paid \$66.42 and profit was \$121.90. The school will be reimbursing the PTO for water used by the referees. Another tournament will be held this Saturday and we will again work the concession stand. Deposits since the last meeting included \$50 petty cash that had been in the treasurer notebook and \$204.68 from the Ice Cream Social profit, license plates, and a returned check.

The school is working with the district office on reimbursement of the PTO for the projectors. It was moved and approved to provide \$300 for Teacher Appreciation for the year.

Cable Access

Cable has finally been installed. It was a time-consuming and elaborate process.

Playground Equipment

Bob Treanor's playground group presented information at the June Board meeting. The plan will be revisited due to some site issues prior to going back to the Board. State land goes to the light poles so there is not as much room to be used as originally thought. There also needs to be 100ft of easement from the water treatment plant. The football fence has been moved to allow for more room for a playground. The plan will be revised and the group will again present to the Board. There is still room for the original playground ideas, but the soccer and football areas will need to be changed.

Nomination/Vote for Officers

It was determined that the officers will be the same as the 2006-07 year:

Co-presidents – Theresa Bowser and Dotti Shuck

Treasurer – Lori Wilkins

Secretary – Traci Eddy

M.I.L.K. Program

Farmer's Insurance will have a table at the parent teacher conferences with information on a free program for Managing Information on Lost Kids. It is a computer software program that would be loaded on your home PC and you would keep information up to date. It would be used for Amber alert information, etc. Those who sign up at conferences would need to come back in approximately two weeks to pick up the program.

School Directory

This is being done by the PTO this year. It is almost done and Traci will work with the school on completing the information. There will be 350 copies made.

Conference Dinners

A parent in each grade will be responsible for organizing the conference dinners in the following order:

- 8th grade – Kim Stewart
- 7th grade – Lavelle Windsor
- 6th grade – Dotti Shuck/Theresa Bowser
- 5th grade – Linda Pearson

Food will need to be available by 4:00.

Concession Stand Door

The PHS Boosters submitted a request for our PTO to assist in paying the cost for a concession stand door. This would replace the unlockable rolling door for the older concession stand. Locks have at least now been placed on the cabinets and cold drinks, but a new door is also needed. They didn't ask for a specific amount, and the cost is expected to be approximately \$1100. Last year the PLMS PTO made \$700 profit from concession stand sales. The old concession stand area is also used for JV games. It was moved and approved to provide \$100 towards the cost of the door.

Sherwin Williams

Mr. Landis shared that information will be coming home soon that Sherwin Williams has a program that the school can earn 3% profit from what is spent at their stores nationwide.

Teacher Classroom Money

Last year the PTO provided \$100 for each full time teacher (17 staff) and \$50 for each shared staff (10 people). This would cost approximately \$2350. It was decided that this year we will wait until closer to Christmas after the school board reimbursement for the projectors to ensure there is sufficient funding.

Teacher Wish List

Pat Zimmerman will send the wish list out to the teachers again.

Committee Heads

The following Committee Heads have been identified for the 2007-08 school year:

Concessions – Angie Andrew

Boxtops – Gina Clement

Thriftway – Gina Clement

Tyson Labels – Leah Nichols

HyVee Receipts – Amy Jones

Teacher Appreciation – Janie McPherson

Directory – Traci Eddy

Someone is still needed for a fundraising committee head.

Spirit Wall

Eliza Anderson presented a letter and request for assistance from the PTO for a Spirit Wall. Eliza would like to pursue this project for a bronze award for scouts. She would like for students to be able to paint tiles and then fire them to put on a designated Spirit Wall. Mrs. Drummond may have ideas as far as where to obtain tiles and paint at a good price. The school is supportive and will find a wall. The project would generate money that Eliza would like to donate to the PTO. The PTO agreed to support the project and that the money generated could be designated for the playground equipment.

Fundraising ideas

There were many donations for the Ice Cream Social held at the beginning of the year and it went well. Ideas for other fundraising projects were discussed. A dodge ball tournament was mentioned. This year the junior class held a community gathering fundraiser with freewill donation that made approximately

\$2000-\$3000. A community event such as this could be held after a game. An idea was also generated to have a fundraiser based on the show "Are You Smarter than a 5th Grader?" Caryn Anderson and DeAnne Schurer will work on this.

Concessions

Angie Andrew reported that she is getting ready for the tournament on 9/22. It is planned to sell just candy and pop at the middle school stand and sell that as well as hot food at the high school stand. After that will be the wrestling tournaments 11/2, 11/3, 11/20 and then the track concession stands. There is also an opportunity for the PTO to work other concession stand slots if desired. The middle school classrooms will also be given this opportunity to raise money for their classroom, team, or organization.

Fanwear

Copies were made today and orders will be due September 28.

Box Tops

5005 Box tops were collected last year. Thus far this year 543 boxtops have been collected. The breakdown by grade is as follows:

5th-165

6th- 44 (have made \$151.80 towards ski trip)

7th- 123 (have made \$77.60 towards worlds of fun trip)

8th- 43 (have made \$33 towards worlds of fun trip)

Registration on the website will provide coupons, offers, and the shopping marketplace. There is also a bookclub and sweepstakes.

Thriftway Receipts

These receipts are collected January through April. Last year a directory board and letters were purchased to be placed outside of the office.

Tyson Labels

We will try again to collect these labels this year. If there are not enough, then we will pool any collections with LES (Janine Leslie).

HyVee Dollars for Scholars

Hy-Vee receipts dated August through May can be turned in to earn money for our school. We are still working on obtaining the check from last year.

Teacher Appreciation

Initially the teacher appreciation group plans to purchase a replacement filter for the water machine installed last year. Additional ideas will be generated later.

Defibrillator

A portable defibrillator has been donated by First Sate Bank and Lisa Mitchell is providing training. This will be shared by both the high school and the middle school. Lisa would like protective items also to be purchased for each classroom (face shield, gloves, band aids, etc) and would also like an adult manicon available for CPR training. Most coaches have had CPR training but some felt that all coaches and referees should be required to have the training. There was a concern brought up that if face shields are used wrong in children than they can cause significant harm. It was decided that the provision of these items would be more of a district decision than the PTO.

Teacher's Report

Mrs. Zimmerman reported that Camille Wheeler is a new staff member who provides mostly reading and some math support for 5th and 6th grade students. She also reported that the 5th and 6th grade teachers and support staff are able to all meet together for collaborative planning.

Principal's report

Mr. Landis reviewed the plan for concession stand workers.

Televisions are currently not available in each room. The school would like to hook the cable to the computers in order to use projectors and screens available in the classrooms if needed since televisions aren't available.

MAP testing has been completed and an inservice will be held 9/24 to show staff how to use the scores. A score in any given topic should mean the same for a 5th grader as a junior in high school.

The high school and middle school staff have been working on a teambuilding activity called KAWS on Parade. Each Kaw has its own name and story. It is planned to have them completed by homecoming. This was an idea generated by Mrs. Drummond.

Important Dates

Sept 22 – Volleyball Tourney

Sept 24 – No school

Oct 4 – Picture retakes

Oct 15 – No school

Oct 15 and 17 – Parent teacher conferences

Oct 20 – LES Family Fun Day

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next meeting will be October 22.