

October 4, 2011

The meeting was held in the MPR and called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Vice President, Amber Sartain.

Attendance:

Kody VanDyke, Amber Sartain, Melinda Yager, Kirsten Smith, Codie Severson, Tammy Sybesma, Taryn De Boer, Becky Pipal

Guests:

Scott McDowell, Principal, Kim Devore, Teacher and Brad Benne, MOSS Program Director

Treasurer Report:

Melinda Yager passed out a summary report showing these balances:

Checking Account: \$847.90; Money Market Account: \$21,371.24; Total Balance as of 10-4-11 = \$22,219.14. Teacher's Fund Balance \$2,573.81.

Secretary Report:

Two changes were made to the September minutes - Checking Balance as of 6-30-11 and the spelling of Jeannette Jensen's name. All items approved as submitted.

Items from Guests in attendance:

- Moss Program Director: Brad Benne spoke to the group regarding 2011-2012 costs for a 9 week program. There was ample discussion regarding current cost (+/- \$8,100) and how to cut costs along with Moss supporting Amsterdam through a potential grant offsetting 50% of the total cost. Kim Devore and Mr. McDowell spoke on behalf of the teachers in support for this wonderful program. Further discussion took place on what kind of enhancement does Moss provide to the school/students and teachers available to offset PAC's total expense. Brad is going to email Mr. McDowell a revised set of numbers and also potential Grants that Amsterdam School may apply for directly regarding Science in Education. This topic was tabled at this time until a future meeting.

Old Business:

- Harvest Montana Fundraiser Deadline October 28th
 - Codie looking for volunteers to pick up product from Osterman's Storage in Bozeman on November 15th or 16th - call Codie if you have a Suburban and can help.
 - Additional Volunteers needed on November 17-18 at school to help with pick up. Again, call Codie or Molly.
 - November 17-18 - Families / Students pick up food and deliver to customers
- Open House Discussion and Follow-up: this went well. Thank you to Sheila, Nancy and Jeannette for the displays, they were AWESOME. New interest was generated from this Open House display.
- PAC Corner - we love it...good success and feedback with new Parents.
- News from the Board - if a PAC representative can't make the meeting emailing Agenda is ok.
- Other fundraisers:
 - **Trunk or Treat - Saturday, October 29th 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**
 - Costs: \$10.00/Trunk; \$2.00/Trick or Treat participant; \$2.00 Haunted House
 - Dinner provided: Chili/Cornbread/Coffee/Cocoa; \$3.00 and \$1.00 respectively. Volunteers needed to bring Chili/bread...call Amber
 - New this Year - Haunted House located in the "greenhouse" - Amber looking for supplies - give her a call if you have ideas or supplies i.e.: old sheets, webbing, etc.
 - Approved for her to spend \$100.00 on supplies
 - Approved to donate \$0.25 of each \$1.00 taken in on the Haunted House to be earmarked for greenhouse future supplies

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- Skiing/Swimming/Spire/Skating follow up and discussion:
 - Mr. McDowell and Kathy researched how/when, etc. the days and options could work this year to accommodate our students. After a long discussion, it was decided to send grades 1-6 to the following activities: (3-6) Skiing; (2) Spire Climbing; (1) Swimming Coordination still needed regarding swimming (Swim Center or MSU) and busing with the different schedules. These to be discussed and confirmed again next meeting.
 - To help in the rising costs, it was motioned and approved to increase the skiing cost to each family from \$11.00 / time to \$12.00 / time. There will be three (3) Ski days total.
 - No cross country skiing this year due to scheduling conflicts.
 - Other discussion was regarding Kindergarten and a "fun and active" Friday for them next spring. Ideas were field trip to Dino Park, Hike the M, Museum of the Rockies, Hiking, etc. This will be tabled until after the first of the year for further discussion and potential planning.

New Business:

- Welcoming of a new PAC member, Becky Pipal - glad to have you.
- **Movie Night is scheduled for November 11th.** Movie to be announced. This year we will try something new, dinner (soup) at movie nights to entice more families to attend. Joanne Fowler volunteered to head this up. Please call her if you'd like to help plan this new twist.
- **P.T.C. dinners** for teachers/staff from PAC -scheduled for **November 8 and 10** - we will confirm sign-up next meeting. Call or email PAC if you are interested in providing dinner.
- Santa's Workshop - Laura Melling is looking for a co-chair for this event. Are you interested? Give her a call.
- Teacher Treats sign up and Reminder for October:
 - October 10-14 Molly Stenberg
 - October 24-28 Kirsten Smith
 - October 31-November 4 - Melinda Yager
- Board Meeting Rep.: Kirsten Smith (October 13, 2011)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. and the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the school MPR.

Signed, Kirsten Smith, Secretary