

Enriching the Lives of the Pioneer Elementary School Family
Board Meeting Minutes April 26, 2011

Welcome, Introductions: The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. Those in attendance were Drew Wellner, Jennifer Johnson, Jeanne Tranum, Paula Reeves, Noha Gindy, Denise Laflamme, Randy Gunderson, Tiffin Moreno, Carrie Cortes-Monroy, Amy Riggs, Erin McDonnell and Randy Weeks.

Secretary's Report: Quorum was established. Jennifer Johnson moved to approve the March board meeting minutes. Seconded. Approved. Jennifer Johnson approved to move special April meeting minutes. Seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Randy Gunderson went over the profit and loss budget versus actual. He said there are still a few expenses that will be greater than the income will be. There is \$36,000 in the bank and about \$4,000 income projected to come in this year. We are just over \$19,000 in expense commitments from now until the end of the year. Fund-An-Item and the Yearbook are the largest of these. At the end of the year, the PTA's projected balance should be \$21,000.

Presidents' Report: Jeanne Tranum and Tiffin Moreno recommended changing the standing rules. The first recommendation was to change the election of the nominating committee to no later than the December meeting. The second recommendation would take place in Article IV, Section 5 which originally stated "All nominees for the office of President shall have served on the Board or chaired a committee for the term immediately preceding their nomination, or if doing a co-position, one of the co-Presidents must have served on the Board or chaired a committee for the term immediately preceding their nomination" to "It is recommended that all nominees for the office of President shall have served on the Board or chaired a committee for the term immediately preceding their nomination, or if doing a co-position, it is recommended that at least one of the co-Presidents must have served on the Board or chaired a committee for the term immediately preceding their nomination." It was also recommended that the office of the President provision be temporary.

Field Day Committee: They requested \$200 more that would go towards two new sumo wrestling outfits. Any remaining monies will be used to buy specialty beads that will be passed out in lieu of candy. It was recommended to transfer money from the professional development balance to miscellaneous and then taken out of miscellaneous for field day. Amy Riggs moved. Seconded. Passed. It was also recommended to add field day as a budget item.

Planning Meeting Summary: The overall theme was 'who should the Pioneer PTA serve?' The meeting reviewed the PTA survey. There were many activities that were rated highly by families and many activities that were rated both high and low.

- Passport: Next year Erin McDonnell will take on the responsibility of revamping the program.
- Yearbook: Questions were posed -- what do we want in the future with yearbook?, how much do we want to budget? It was clear that everyone wants the 5th graders to have yearbooks and we need to know what we want with yearbooks before set a budget for it with the yearbook committee.

- Junior Programs: The PTA doesn't need to sponsor this and is recommended to cut it half to \$1500 or that the PTA covers partial costs.
- Student Productions: The play cost the PTA \$1100 more than anticipated and in the past has broken even. This doesn't embody enough students. It was decided to cut this from the budget.

Committee Reports:

- Sustainability Committee: Paula Reeves said they have been working with Brandon's/Martin's class on sustainability.
- Programs Committee: Carrie Cortes-Monroy said there will be an assembly on May 20 about toy making around the globe. On May 25 is a parent seminar called "Safety Without Fear". On June 10 the Pacific Science Center will have exhibits at Pioneer for 5 hours.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.