

Enriching the Lives of the Pioneer Elementary School Family
Board Meeting Minutes January 26, 2010

Welcome, Introduction

The meeting was called to order at 6:16 p.m. Those in attendance were Tiffin Moreno, Doug Pennington, Carrie Cortes-Monroy, Elizabeth Hughes, Amy Riggs, Karlyn Shannon, Erin McDonnell, and Cassie Welliver

Secretary's Report

- We do not have quorum with six out of twelve board members present.

Treasurer's Report

- Karlyn presented the treasurer's report. There was not a lot of activity in November and December. Paid out the second installment of state and national dues. We are over-budget for dues.

Action Items:

- Grants on hold until next month.

President's Report

- **Haiti.** Collections at Passport Check and talent show; collaborating with student council
- **Past events:**
 - Acknowledged craft night: great job to Carrie and her volunteer team!
 - Focus day 2010: 3 parents and 6 kids represented Pioneer. Great start! Hoping for more next year.
 - Assembly: Nikki McClure – received thank you card from Fireside Bookstore for sales opportunity. % went to PTA programs (\$147)
 - Assembly: Gears of Invention: well-received by teachers and students. Great presenter—thanks, Ryan!
- **Current events.** Sustainability Committee meets tomorrow evening, 1/27, for first meeting.
- **Upcoming events**
 - Financial Review will occur soon; just moved back a few weeks.
 - Mid-Year Survey in the works. Reviewing possible format and items for inclusion.
 - WA State PTA Region 4 Presidents Meeting will be held at Pioneer on 2/18.
 - WA State PTA Region 4 Director Vote: Board discusses method of voting and goes with president's recommendation based on her having the only knowledge of the slate.
- **On the horizon:**
 - Web site. Hosting needs to be in budget next year. Michael and Mariah moving.
 - WA State PTA Convention, April 30-May 2

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• **Miscellaneous**

- Charitable donation gift. Cispus returning \$750 bc they met needs without it. Donation idea from Ryan: Purchase Bubble Guy Assembly for Madison. Cost about \$500-600. She would coordinate. During conference week (mid-March). Discussion followed, other ideas sought. Need to speak more with Ryan on this. Tabled to next meeting.
 - Free disinfecting wipes from Chlorox/Safeway for classrooms. Coupons shared with teachers and staff to pick up and then give to classrooms.
 - Students on Stage: Still determining whether this will happen. Possible cut date discussed. Tentatively, practices begin February 22. Cassie Welliver offered to take over chair slot.
 - Boxtops: Fall/winter payment of about \$454
- **Take Charge Opportunities** Anyone interested in pursuing?
- Jamba Juice Promotion/Appreciation Program. 10% back to school cards
 - School Toolbox. School supplies purchase coordination.
 - PTA Take Your Family to School Week, February 7-13.

Committee Reports

- Nominating committee looking for contacts for PTA leadership and Board. They are looking for names of members who would be interested. Would love more male involvement and those parents of young children.
- Talent Show. The Talent Show this year will have 45 acts. Everything is on schedule.
- The Art Committee has met twice. Any one interested in the arts is welcome to attend. They would like help with all disciplines. Barb McConkey has offered to teach fundamentals. The Committee has discussed ways to offer assistance to teachers to help with projects that align with the arts learning requirements. They will be meeting again on February 3, at 6:30 in the library. "Help Enrich Arts in School K-5."

Legislative

- Doug Pennington presented the need for 2010 nominees for PTA statewide office. The nominations need to be in by March 15, 2010, for those who would like to self-declare. Two more deadlines include March 1, 2010, for awards and March 1, 2010, for the scholarship program. Forms and applications are on the WA State PTA Web site, www.wastatepta.org.