

# PTO April Minutes

4/15/13

## Reports

- Secretary's report accepted.
- Treasurer's report accepted. Notes:
  - The report does not include the profit from the Family Dance, or Box Tops.
  - We are still getting some checks from earlier fundraising, and expect some income from Carnival.
  - Pine and Hillcrest chose to use their RIF money (\$1200 each) this year. This is not included in the report.
  - A request was made to add \$100 to the Young 5s Picnic budget, as they have two sections this year rather than the single section planned. We will do so for this year, then review the budget for next year.

## Fundraisers

### - Bookfairs

- Pine bookfair went well. Mrs. Pybus chose to use the cash option (rather than Scholastic dollars) and has ~\$1400 to spend.
- A suggestion was made that next year we try another way to organize classes visiting the bookfair: rather than have each classroom tour the fair and make purchases at that time, each classroom would do a tour, then later a volunteer will visit each classroom and take any students who have money down to make their purchases separately. This would be less painful for those who are not making purchases. It may require more volunteers.
- Jessica Ackerman has agreed to organize Bookfair for next year (with current committee's help), but we need another volunteer to team up with Jessica.

- **Family Fun Night** - Was successful. The event was very well organized and received - kids had a great time! About 32 families attended, which is not as many as hoped for. Kim and Jeff Turk are willing to do this event again, but ask that we better publicize and plan ahead - including goals for attendance - to increase the funds raised. It was also suggested that this would be a great 'welcome back to school' event in the fall.

- **Lugnuts** - trip set for May 17th. About 50 people going, and hoping for good weather!

- **Box Tops/Labels** - We should soon receive a check for about \$1500 from Box Tops. Mandy is planning to send flyers out soon for mid-May collection as there is a June 1st deadline for the next round of labels. She is also working on posters for each collection bin to help with visibility. Additional ideas include collection bins in Alma and Riverdale Public libraries to help with summer submissions and community awareness/involvement; and PTO representatives making presentations at school staff meetings prior to the beginning of next school year. Note: we need volunteers to help with counting during submission times (next one is end of May). Information about the Box Tops/Labels (rules/deadlines) and yearly totals will be posted on the PTO website soon!

## Upcoming Events

Finishing up with reading month, lots of rewards going out!

### *Luce*

	Teachers attended a technology conference
4/18	Julie Austen concert tonight
4/18	APA performs Peter & the Wolf

### *Hillcrest*

4/11	Paleo Joe visited the school
4/15	Report cards went out today
5/?	City of Alma Tour on Dial-a-Ride
5/?	Flying Aces to visit

## Community Events/Activities

Please share any information on local activities for children and families at our meetings!

- Alma Community Art Center is offering classes now and is planning a Summer Art Camp June 17-20, 10-3 each day. May and June class schedules are forming now and will be out this week. The current exhibition is CASA exhibition, showing through April. For more information, please visit [www.alma-cac.org](http://www.alma-cac.org).
- Everyone Together Camp will be available for the first time this summer. The dates are Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursdays in July from noon-4:00 p.m. at the RESD Bailey Building just outside Alma. For more information, please visit [www.etgratiotcounty.com](http://www.etgratiotcounty.com)

*Next PTO meeting is on May 20th at 6:30 p.m. at Luce Road. Free child care is always provided. Please join us!*

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