

AEPTO Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2015

In Attendance (16):

Executive Officers: Jeff Turk, Laura Ash

Committee Chairs: Teresa Parks, Errin Thompson, Mandy Sanders

Luce Road ECLC Representatives: Lisa Fenby, Judy Zehner, Donalynn Ingersoll

Pine Avenue Elementary Representatives: Kim June

Hillcrest Elementary Representatives: Jennie Wickes, Kristie Hancock, Tom Neuenfeldt

Parents: Jennifer Willson, Jennifer DeLeon, Stephanie Hernandez, Branden Sanders

I Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm.

The minutes from the March 18th meeting were distributed and reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes without revision. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

II Officer Reports

President's Report (presented by Jeff Turk): While attending a staff meeting at Hillcrest Elementary last month, the president noted that he did not know many of the teachers, and that this is even more true at Pine Ave. This speaks to the representation of our elementary schools at our meetings. The president raised the possibility that teachers may consider rotating their representation at each meeting, and also questioned a past (and unenforced) discussion of requiring teachers to attend at least one PTO throughout the year if he/she wishes to access their teacher funds. There was discussion about the later point. This included: 1) it would be difficult/unfair to require everyone to attend, give peoples schedules; 2) it may be helpful to have continuity of representation.

Treasurer's Report (presented by Laura Ash): The president (oops) failed to print the correct treasurer's report, so Laura was kind enough to read off some important numbers. This included the amount remaining in our 2015-2016 planned budget (about \$26,000) and the total sales/profit from our catalog sales fundraisers (\$54,670 and \$23,782, respectively).

Since many teachers plan late-year activities with their students and request teacher funds later than the initially proposed May 1st deadline, the treasurer will extend the deadline to the Wednesday after the last day of school (June 10th).

III Fundraising and Committee Chair Reports

Prepared by: Jeff Turk (Debbie Thomas, Secretary, *in absentia*)

Fundraising Chair (presented by Teresa Parks): The limo ride that concludes our most recent Club's Choice fundraiser was last week. The riders had lunch at Burger King, which gave 50% off everything on their menu. We are contracted with Frankenmuth Fundraising through the Fall of 2015, however we will not receive a Carnival in 2016 from the same organization. Club's Choice, on the other hand, will offer us a carnival in 2016; however this does not include an inflatable for Fall Festival in 2015.

Donalynn Ingersoll made a note to thank Teresa for her efforts in organizing the limo ride.

Tom Neuenfeldt raised concern that it would be important to consider handicap accessibility for limo rides in the future.

Non-Sales Fundraising Chair (presented by Mandy Sanders): New labels volunteer, Virginia Blandford!!

Books from Sunny D label collection have arrived. Box tops checks should come soon - \$1349.20. Final box tops contest will occur in May - many box tops expire June 1st.

At the last Mom-to-Mom sale, 3 boxes of shoes were collected toward the ShoeBox recycling program.

Art Reach/Carnival Chair (presented by Errin Thompson): The art reach program ends in May - supplies must be all back. Prints back in building by May 11th. Errin and Kim Turk will switch them out on 13th.

Carnival preparations are under way. A notification flyer went home and also asked for volunteers. Rather than get prizes at each game, children will take tickets (they will win from each game) and use them to redeem prizes. Inflatables and games will go from 5-8pm, while face painting and prize tables will go a little later (8:30?).

IV New and Continuing Business

none.

V Grade Level Representatives

Luce: Reading month was a great success. Nationally, April is recognized as the month of the young child. K registration is Thursday of this week. Fine Arts day is in the evening of the 30th. Julie Austin is performing May 20th - although the PTO used to pay for her visit, the line item has been dropped from the budget, and the school now pays for it.

Hillcrest: School is excited about the Fun Run. Health Fair (family event) is scheduled on the same day as the Fun Run. McDonald's big educator night is May 19th, 4pm - 7pm.

Pine: On the final day of school (1/2 day), classes will let out at 11:15 (Luce), 11:20 (Hillcrest) and 11:30 (Pine).

VII Announcements

Earth Day is on Wednesday.

IX Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.