

## **March PTC General Meeting Minutes**

## March 13, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Cindy Mastro at 6:39 p.m.

Mimi Magadia led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Past Minutes** – A motion was made by Amy Wilson to approve the minutes from the Feb. 2013 meeting "as presented on the PTC website". The motion was seconded by Nicole Owston. The motion was passed unanimously.

**Review Financials** – The only new item on the Profit & Loss sheet were the Pancake Breakfast results. The Pancake Breakfast made a gross profit of \$10,400, with expenses of \$1,300 to equal a **\$9,100** net profit for our school!

## **Program Updates:**

**Box Tops/eScript**— At home parent volunteers are going to help with the trimming of the numerous Box Tops that are submitted (the square has to be cut on the dotted line or they are not accepted).

**Dinners Out** - The next Dinner Out will be at Chevy's on 3/19. The April Dinner Out will be at California Pizza Kitchen on 4/23. There is a Parents Night Out/Dinner Out scheduled for 5/17 at Skipolini's and childcare will be offered by Flip2It. There was a discussion as to whether this is the best time of year/date for the Parents Night out as this is such a busy time of year. Amy Wilson (Committee Chair) is going to review this date and look at other possible dates.

**Skate Night** – The next Skate Night is on 3/27 and the  $4^{th}$  grade will pick the theme. The last Skate Night of the year will be on 5/29; all grades are welcome and will include 5th grade recognition.

**Spiritwear** – No new updates. Jen Haas mentioned that her 2 boys (5<sup>th</sup> graders) will have Spiritwear to donate at the end of this year. We had a brief discussion about gathering 'gently used' Spiritwear and distributing to teachers for kids who possibly can't afford or don't have Spiritwear. The same could possibly be done with all the Spiritwear found in the Lost & Found.

**Pancake Breakfast** – The Pancake Breakfast made a gross profit of \$10,400, with expenses of \$1,300 to equal a \$9,100 net profit for our school! The event was well attended (approximately 465 tickets sold); ticket sales had to be 'turned off' by Friday afternoon. Positive feedback has been received from those attending the event.

**Staff Appreciation** – The teachers will receive a little 'luck of the Irish' treat on Monday for St. Patrick's Day. Staff Appreciation Week is 5/5 - 5/9. Staff Appreciation Day is Tues. 5/6. The teachers will be treated to a special luncheon on Tues. 5/6 (an email will be sent out for volunteers) and will receive a few treats all week. Reminder: There is a binder in the Office with all of the teachers' "favorite things" if you would like to treat them to something for Staff Appreciation.

**Yearbook** – All pictures for yearbook submission are due to Becky Barry by 3/19. Dedication order forms for regular, small-space dedications are due 3/14 (5<sup>th</sup> grade half page payment was due 3/10). 5<sup>th</sup> grade half page dedication content is due 3/24 on a disc or USB device.

**Electronic Marquee** – We have posted 21 birthday messages so far, which equals a \$210 profit for our school. Please turn in your birthday message request forms at least 2 week prior to your child's birthday.

**Walk-A-Thon** – The Walk-a-thon Committee has started to meet to plan this spring event. The Walk-a-thon is scheduled for the <u>morning</u> of May 9<sup>th</sup> this year (past years have scheduled the walk in the afternoon when it is so hot!). Volunteers will be needed for this event, an email will be sent out.

**Little Mermaid Jr.** – The kids, teachers and parent volunteers have been working hard on our school play. Tickets are still available for both shows (Friday night has a limited number) – Thurs. 3/20 & Fri. 3/21 at Roseville High. The kids see it during the school day on Tues. 3/18.

**Succession Planning** – The PTC is starting to plan for the Board members and Committee Chairs for next year. Please consider donating your time and ideas to the PTC Board for next year – the kids will appreciate your efforts! If you are interested or know of anyone who is interested, please email Cindy Mastro.

Are You Smarter Than a 5<sup>th</sup> Grader? – Mr. Murphy showed examples of Common Core math questions from this year's new assessments. They are very different from what the kids are used to in year's past. Mr. Murphy and the staff are working hard to ease this transition for our kids. The tests will be given online, so they have been stress testing the computers in the Computer Lab as well as working out a schedule for testing. An example of a particular math question involved building a graph, 'dragging and dropping' points on the graph (using a mouse) and then connecting the lines along the graph. These are a few examples of new techniques required to answer a math question that is new for our kids (compared to paper/pencil tests of years past). Parents have been emailed information about how to go online to preview the test – please do this with your child to help prepare them!

**Principal Report** – Mr. Murphy reminded us to sign up for the Run4Roseville sponsored by the Roseville City School District Foundation. Victor Carrillo will be representing Blue Oaks at the district Spelling Bee. Our school, along with all the elementary schools in our district, will be moving to All-day Kindergarten next year. This will impact the lunch periods and we are looking at grouping Grades K-2 and 3-5 for lunch next year.

**Teachers Report** – The teachers gave updates on field trips, academics and other classroom activities for grade K – 5.

**Broadcast Club** – The recent Broadcast Club video was shown.

**Open Floor** – No issues were raised.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.