

Bishop's Peak PTA
General Meeting
January 13, 2010
Room 11

Members Present: Janine Marion, Jennifer Vomaske, Heather Silacci, Melissa Martin, Dan Block, Nara Clark, Diane Orrell, Jocelyn Leonard, Ronni Johnson, Lisa Guy, Rashmi Kapoor, Christine Kimball, Trisha Fleischer, Lyndsi Foster, Margaret Bauman, MD, Anika Celments.

Call to Order: President Lisa Guy called the meeting to order at 12:15pm.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Heather Silacci to approve the minutes from the December General Meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Ronni Johnson, and approved by members present.

Financial Reports:

Treasurer: Cora Adema presented reports for both the General Fund and the Study Trip accounts. She discussed some expenses, and shared the year to date balance for both accounts. Please see attached reports labeled A-1 and A-2.

Ratification of Checks: Cora Adema presented checks numbered 5369-5381 from the General Fund account for ratification. Also checks numbered 214-215 from the Study Trip account for ratification. A motion was made by Heather Silacci to ratify the checks as presented. The motion was seconded by Margaret Bauman, and approved by members present.

Budget Report: Cora Adema presented the 2009/2010 Budget Report. Please see attached report labeled A-3.

Principal's Report: Dan reported about the break-in that occurred at the school in December, and we still have no leads. Eight lap tops, a camera, Jamba Juice gift cards, and some personal items were stolen. The district replaced all the items except for the personal items stolen. Jamba Juice re-issued cards and cancelled the stolen ones. Also all locks were re-keyed by the district. Dan wanted the PTA to look into buying Amy Erickson, our lower grade PE Teacher, a new ipod nano, since it was stolen with all her PE music on it. It was agreed that she would submit the receipt after purchasing a new ipod nano, and the PTA would reimburse her.

Teacher's Report: Diane Orrell is excited about the upcoming events. Mrs. Pudlo is retiring and Diana Jones will begin teaching with her in February. Also 6th grade students are going to Yosemite the first week of February. They were training again today, hiking up Bishop's Peak to prepare for their trip.

New Business: Parking still seems to be a problem during pick-up and drop off. A large F350 type of truck has been parked in front of school at drop off, with no one in it, for the last several days. Everyone needs to keep moving and flowing through the drop-off area. Dan will look into reinforcing this again. In addition, a concerned parent expressed her desire for our kindergarten teachers to pay more attention to wandering kinders. She brought up the possibility of adding a fence to the front of the school. Dan explained that it is very safe here, and is not necessary to add a fence at this time. He will talk to the

kindergarten teachers about students staying together in pairs when they leave the classroom.

Committee Reports:

Swap and Shop: The next swap and shop will be Friday January 22, 2010. We need warm items for winter, the 6th grade trip to Yosemite and anything else parents want to give away.

Barnes and Noble Fundraiser: Flyers will be sent home with students for this Saturday and Sunday (January 16th and 17th). Just mention our school and we get a percentage of the money.

March-A-Thon: March 26th, 2010 is the date for this year's March-A-Thon. It will be held out on the big grass field again this year. Mallory McRoberts is the chair of this event again this year. The first meeting will be held on January 20th, 2010 at 2:30 at the lunch tables on the grass area. Snacks will be provided and kids can play while parents meet to organize. We need to fine tune marking the laps.

Science Fair: Planning is going well. This will take place on February 24th, 2010. The 3rd thru 6th grade students were given a board to use for their presentations. Ronni Johnson will help coordinate parents bringing healthy snacks, baked goods and juice.

T-Shirts: Lisa Guy reported that we will not be purchasing anymore merchandise for the time being. Trying to sell what we have and will sell at the Swap and Shop on January 22, 2010. Several people were interested in zip-up sweatshirts.

Grocery Store Program: Lisa Guy shared that she is working hard to get this program going. There is the potential to make a lot of money by just signing up. Goal is to have 80% of parents registered in the next few months. Lisa is hoping to get the information packets out to each of our families in the near future.

Drive Thru BBQ: This will be moving from the original date of April 23rd to April 16th. Tickets will be available before Spring Break.

Other:

Nominating Committee: Heather Silacci and Jennifer Klever are trying to find one more person to join the PTA Nominating Committee for next year. They are contacting individuals and will report back at the February meeting with possible candidates.

PTA To PTO: Ziyad Naccasha is willing to help Carol Nelson-Maurice look into the legal details of what it would take to change to a PTO instead of a PTA. It has been suggested that Bishop's Peak have a Booster's Club instead of a PTA, which would eliminate the need to pay all the fees associated with the national organization of the PTA.

Announcements:

Next Meeting: President Lisa Guy announced that the next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 10th, 2010, at noon in room 11.

Adjournment: President Lisa Guy adjourned the meeting at 12:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Martin, Secretary