

Johnson PTO Meeting Minutes for Thursday, August 6, 2008

WELCOME

Debbie Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:15. After the guest speaker, members who were present introduced themselves.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Theresa Bradford, Debra Turner, Debbie Peterson, Joan Moore, Crystal Martin, Bari Brookins, Kristen Beesaw, Lisa Lloyd, Emily Mayerhoff, Rachel Lafon, Laura Stephenson, Dannah Pembleton, Janice Bomnskie, Stefanie Harris, Mary Beth Badgett, Andrea Mikeal, Melanie Frailicks, Coryn Norlander

MINUTES

The minutes were approved as read.

FINANCIAL REPORT

We have a current balance of \$11, 170 with three checks outstanding. There is an upcoming expense of \$675 for the copier. The Spring Fair 2009 total raised was \$6652.40. The Book Fair raised \$2494. Melanie will work to get a 5013C federal exemption form for the PTO and school.

GUEST SPEAKER

Amy Drozd, C.F.O. for BISD spoke about the Budget and Tax rate adoption election to take place October 3.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Sally Foster – Sales will run September 4 through September 18. Items will be delivered October 28 at 11:30, so volunteers will be needed to help sort items. Once a student sells 10 items, he or she will get a plush frog. There will also be an iPod shuffle to be awarded. This is Johnson's biggest fundraiser.
2. T-Shirts – Mrs. Happ showed a proof of the t-shirt design for a gray shirt, which says Johnson Elementary Rocks with a rock star jaguar. Other designs were shown, but the rock star jaguar was chosen.
3. School Garden – Coryn Norlander and a friend will create two L-shaped raised beds for vegetable plants. There will also be a raised bed near the portable buildings, as well as some groupings of tall grasses. Kelly Burt Dozer donated the bedding mix, and Storm Masonry donated the concrete blocks. Some of the vegetables may be able to be donated to the Food Bank. Home Depot is sending volunteers on August 29 from 8-12 A.M. to put in the beds. The Master Naturalists have committed to caring for the beds when school isn't in session.
4. Committees – Dannah Pembleton volunteered for the Book Fair; Theresa Bradford may organize cookie dough sales.

5. Additional Fundraisers – Discussed having a Schwan’s fundraiser during orientation. Emily will organize another Baskin Robbins event for the fall.
6. Background Checks – These must be filled out and given to Debra Turner.
7. PTO Volunteer Form – Debra will work on this form. We must be diligent in asking parents who express an interest on the form to actually help with the event.
8. Calendar of Events – A calendar of events was provided to the members.

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

1. No Drive for Kids this year.
2. The swings, which were purchased by the PTO, are up and ready for students.
3. The district did not receive the Chinese Immersion Grant enrichment, but Jane Long will have the Mandarin Chinese class.

The next meeting of the Johnson PTO will occur on Thursday, September 17, 2009, at 6:00 P.M.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristen Beesaw
Secretary