

PSA MINUTES

September 21, 2009

President Gail Easterling opened the meeting with a prayer.

Treasurer's report: Cathy Dowd gave an update on the proceeds from the magazine drive so far. To date, we are up 30% from last year.

New Business:

1. **By-laws committee** – Melissa DeLuca is looking for volunteers to join a committee charged with reviewing/updating the current PSA by-laws. Please contact her if you are interested.
2. **Swine Flu** – Please remind your children to wash their hands frequently, especially before and after eating, and advise them not to put their mouths on the water fountain. These are just two small ways that we can help prevent the spread of flu germs.
3. **School Directory** – Those attending the meeting voted, and the motion was passed to have a cd version of the school directory available for all families this year instead of the paper version.
4. **PSA meeting time change** – The PSA meetings will begin at 2:15p.m., starting with the November meeting. Mrs. Webster is looking for more parental attendance at the meetings. The room moms were asked to gather feedback from their classes regarding incentives that could be implemented in order to increase attendance. One suggestion mentioned was to give a tag day to students whose parents attend the meetings.
5. **Drink pouch recycling project** – There are bins in each classroom for students to deposit their empty juice pouches (not boxes). Julie Hickey and Christy Morrell agreed to chair the project. This is basically a green project, since our school only gets 2 cents for every pouch.
6. **Fundraiser ideas** –
 - a. Discount card – Debbie Mister and Maryanne Besche are in charge of producing a discount card for sale. The profit margin is approximately 85%, and it will include businesses from several different counties. More information will be forthcoming.
 - b. Pavers – A proposal was made to begin selling pavers again, since many new families have not had the opportunity to purchase one. More information will be forthcoming about this as well.

- c. Fruit Sale – In lieu of a greenery sale this year, we will be having a fruit sale. Cathy Dowd volunteered to contact the supplier and will send out more information once she has done so.
- d. Technology dinners – A proposal was made to bring back the technology dinner fundraiser. Approximately 1 dozen couples would offer to have a dinner party at their house one evening, and tickets would be sold to attend one of the dinners. This is tentatively scheduled for late fall. Wendy Dyott is the chairperson, and she will send out more information at a later date.

7. Committee Chairs

- a. Magazine drive – Leslie Emmert-Buck and Donna Roser. This year's drive is already up 30% over last year.
- b. Sally Foster – Cathy Dowd, Angie Potthast and Julie Hickey. This fundraiser will begin next week.
- c. Family Fun Night – Colleen Gabler, Toni Baranosky, Taryn Chase. This will be held on February 5th. The details have not been decided upon as of yet, but they will need several volunteers that night to sell treats. Please contact one of them if you are interested.
- d. Annual Gala – Martha Wheatley and Chris Duncan. This year's gala will be held April 24th and it is in conjunction with the high school golf tournament. It will be at the Talbot Country Club again, and lots of volunteers are needed right now to head/join committees. Maryanne Besche offered to help sell sponsorships. Please contact Martha if you can help.

Elementary School Update

Mrs. Webster informed those present that the security system will be in place after October 5th, which is the date that the staff will be trained. All doors will be locked. Visitors will have to be buzzed in by Mrs. Hill. The teachers will all have keys to their individual outer doors. Cameras will also be in place.