

MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2010 MEETING

ATTENDANCE: John Byrne, Cheryl French, Margaret Hansen, Kristin Smith, Cyndi Valerio, Ken Gilbert, Christi Clark, Heidi Wiest, Emily Wiest, Angie Klampe

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT KRISTIN SMITH AT 6:30 pm.

The first activity of the meeting was carrying food, plates and such into the room in preparation for the Spaghetti Feed scheduled for November 4.

INFORMAL BUSINESS: Introductions were made around the table and Angie Klampe, a mother of two sixth graders, was welcomed. Cheryl French told Ken Gilbert that she would volunteer for the site council and her offer was accepted. The site council generally meets the third Thursday of the month from 1 – 2:30 p.m. at the school.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the October, 2010 meeting were summarized by John Byrne and made available in printed form. It was **moved, seconded and passed** that the minutes be accepted as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Christi Clark reported that the balance sheet provided by the GAPS program showed a beginning balance of \$894.42. There was a payment to Laurie Robinson for her services at the forthcoming Spaghetti Feed of \$75. In addition, there was a deposit of \$594.86 representing the cash and check portion of the sales at the book sale. (The credit card transactions are handled separately.) That was followed by a check issued to Scholastic in the amount of \$592.36. It is unclear what gave rise to the small discrepancy. Finally, two purchases were made for the Spaghetti Feed with the use of purchase orders: \$63.30 to Costco and \$28.80 to Bimbo Bakeries. The final balance of the account was \$729.82. (That balance does not include any proceeds of the Spaghetti Feed held on November 4.)

It was moved, seconded and voted that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

OLD BUSINESS:

Book Fair: Heidi Wiest reported that the book sale was a success. The sales totaled \$999.39, up some \$60 from the previous year. That amount earned the library \$399.76 in "Scholastic dollars" (Money to be used to buy Scholastic Press books) plus a bonus of \$150 in Scholastic dollars because of the way Heidi Wiest scheduled and set up the book fair. The library had \$321 of previous "Scholastic dollars" and used \$157 to secure new books. (Later in the meeting it was decided that book labels would be prepared to put in books secured through the efforts of the PTC to reflect that fact. The labels were subsequently made by Christi Clark who delivered a set of such labels to the librarian on November 4.)

Spaghetti Feed: President Kristin Smith went over the details and arrangements for the Spaghetti Feed. (The subsequent Spaghetti Feed went according to the plan.) Cyndi Valerio reported on her successful efforts to secure donations from a number of businesses. Among the generous donations were the following:

1. Emmons Meat Market – 30 lbs of ground beef
2. Grocery Outlet – 42 lbs of pasta
3. Mega Foods – 18 lbs of pasta and \$60 for merchandise and food
4. Costco - \$50 for merchandise and food
5. Ray's - \$50 for merchandise and food
6. Safeway - \$25 for merchandise and food
7. Albertson's - \$11 for merchandise and food
8. Walmart - \$100 for merchandise and food
9. McDonald's – a huge cooler of ice
10. Bimbo Bakeries – discount price on all the bread
11. Trademark Transmissions and Auto Repair – an oil change available for raffle

Cyndi Valerio also reported purchasing \$165 for merchandise and food beyond the donations. In conclusion, she reported that Kathy Caldwell of the District's central office was very helpful in preparing and providing the letters and information required by the donors. (It was also noted that the deadline for asking Winco had passed by the time donations were solicited and that it should be kept in mind that that company must be approached some six weeks before the donation is needed.)

Margaret Hansen discussed arrangements for the dessert sale – arrangements which subsequently brought a wide array of desserts which generated avid purchasing at the Spaghetti Feed.

Christi Clark brought up the question of dividing the proceeds and it was **moved, seconded and passed** that 25% of the net proceeds (gross minus out-of-pocket expense) be given to the band and choir program.

A request was brought before the meeting to allow the selling at the Spaghetti Feed of discount coupons to help raise money for the 8th graders' DC trip. Ken Gilbert said that the DC trip is an outside activity rather than a school activity whereas the Spaghetti Feed, as a PTC and band/choir activity is a school activity. He thought it better that the two not be mixed. It was **m/s/p** that the request be respectfully turned down.

Fund Raising Possibility: President Kristin Smith said that there would be a road run/walk (OMVRR) on Thanksgiving morning that includes the possibility of a prize for the school that turns out the most registered runners/walkers. She said she wanted to have it publicized by e-mail and at the Spaghetti Feed to remind people of the opportunity. Ken Gilbert said the information could be distributed through the e-mail system.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

1. Linn County Kids Create (linncountykidscreate.org): Ken Gilbert reported that John Byrne had made a presentation about the literary/art 'zine in three classes and that there was interest among a number of students to submit material to be published in the next edition scheduled for mid-November.
2. A request was made to Cheryl French to assist with the creation of a large Bear mural/logo in the cafeteria. She agreed to coordinate with the teacher (Michelle Shultz) to help move the project along.
3. One of the microwaves had an explosive incident when a student tried to heat eggs in a thermos-like container. Fortunately, the door held and no one was hurt. The glass which rotates was broken but the machine still operates and the school is looking for a replacement glass part. Ken Gilbert reported that the microwaves are very popular and well used.
4. Ken Gilbert noted that he approaches the site council and the PTC a little differently in that he views the role of the site council as focusing on curriculum items and issues involving the use of school money whereas the PTC is for student activities and issues of parental involvement. However, he urged the PTC members to raise a concern if they believe he is not bringing matters before the PTC that the PTC wants to discuss.
5. Ken Gilbert noted that there is a fund raising side of the PTC and a parental involvement side and he wants to build up the latter. He suggested that the PTC explore how to provide more services to and opportunities for parents to become involved. Mention was made of an evening two years ago that was focused on Latino parents and that drew a good and interested crowd to the school.

After the principal's report, there was a little more discussion of the arrangements for the Spaghetti Feed.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:56. The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m.**