

F.E Peacock middle School P.T.O. Minutes of October 5th 2010

Anne Larson PTO President, Called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Our faculty representatives were Dr. Nickisch, Nancy Krefetz, and Sandy Bernahl. Present were PTO President Anne Larson, Cheryl Pigott Treasurer, and Denise Glennon Secretary. Parents present were Cheryl Parker, Frances Avgerinos, Mari Minor and Kim Leider.

Minutes – Denise Glennon

The minutes of the September 7th 2010 meeting were read. Kim Leider made a motion to approve the report. Frances Avgerinos seconded the report as read. The minutes were approved as read.

By Law Changes – Anne Larson

A generic note in the teacher's mailbox asked if they wanted to join the PTO and giving information on how to join. The consensus was yes. Mrs. Krefetz was asked if the teachers were interested in joining the PTO and teachers responded yes.

Under Article IV Section 2. The change was made to make the PTO dues \$10.00 from previous \$5.00 this school year.

Under Article VI Section 5. A committee person would no longer have to be an active member in the organization for a least on year. To vote you must be a paying member of the PTO.

In several areas of the Constitution and By-Laws it is stated chairmen, these will be changed to chairperson(s).

It was taken to a vote. All in favor of the changes said I and there were no, nays.

The changes are official.

Treasurer's Report – Cheryl Pigott

Only a few ads were placed in the directory. The PTO was still able to raise \$375.00 in ad fees this year. We are looking forward to more ads placed next year.

Not enough orders were placed to cover the cost of making the DVD yearbooks. It was due partly to low interest that it was being cut. Editing was partly done by the students. If we were to keep it, it must be done as a pre-order basis. In the past it has been played at the graduation.

The treasurer's report was presented and Frances Avgerinos made a motion to approve the report. Kim Leider seconded the motion. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Principal's Report – Dr. Nickisch

Mrs. Cox the 8th grade Spanish teacher, resigned. Her last day will be Oct. 29th 2010. Applications will be taken until Oct. 21st. It is important to be middle school endorsed, which means specific courses would need to have been taken.

Teacher's Report – Sandy Bernahl

Thank you to the PTO for all you do.

Committee Reports

Benefit Nights – Cheryl Parker

Our next benefit night is Buona Beef on Nov. 20th. We were able to make \$330.00 with our Crossroads Pizza coupon sales. The chipotle sales totals are not in yet.

Halloween Taffy Apples – Denise Glennon

We are looking to have a different give away this year. It seems like the students get so much this time of year. A lot of the students have braces and it is hard to cut the apples with plastic knives, most students took the taffy apples home. We are looking to change it for later in the year. A vote was taken and we are looking at working with character counts and caring in the month of February, maybe

around Valentine's Day. Kim Leider suggested contacting Kris Eiesmen's daughter who owns a bakery in Bloomingdale for cookies or cupcakes.

Musical

We hope to bring back the musical and our goal is long term. Our cost is 10,000.00 on the high end and 7,500.00 on the low end. We are looking to have a process for donations, a level of advertising or a pool to work with. Admissions could not be charged but a donation requested. It does look good for the play this year.

Sweats & Tees

The sweats and tees are now in the school store for sale.

School Board - Kim Leider – Sept. Meeting

Regarding the budget, the board reduced expenditures by \$435 - \$460 K. Staff maintained salaries for this year, including administrators. Enrollment has dictated additional staff at Benson & Franzen. New revenue is dependent upon the CPI which has caused revenues to remain flat. Majority of budget goes to salaries, operations & maintenance. The district did not receive the Project Prevent grant. The district office is still dealing with working out bussing issues for bus #5 that services the Nordic park area. There are two contracts needed are up for negotiation next year, certified staff and support staff.

Meeting adjourned by Anne Larson at 7:40pm.