

McCornack Elementary PTO Meeting

June 2, 2008

In attendance: Kimberly Allen (Green), Esther Barton, Danielle Benson, Kallin Benson, Richelle Brigola, Debi Cornell, Angie Elstone, Laurie Freeman, Misty Hill, Vicki Hood, Kim Hove, Tasha Katsuda, Mary Kuhl, Debby Liamon, Regina Ligon, Michelle Lodwig, Paula McDonald, John Nichols, Laurie Nichols, Karen Olsen, Holly Powell, Holly Richardson, Cheryl Yorges

New Kinder Parent Welcome

Holly Powell brought the meeting to order by welcoming new kinder parents who were presented with a box of crayons and scissors.

Budget Approval

Debby Liamon moved to approve the list of budget items as proposed by the Ways and Means Committee in the previous hours meeting. Holly Powell 2nd the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Carnival Update:

Holly Powell announced that the carnival brought in a profit of \$6,436.74. Last year's carnival profit was \$5,902.71, for an increase of \$534.03.

Holly noted that:

- Ticket sales were down slightly this year (\$39 less than last year, that's about 1 family)
- Snack Attack was slow
- Food sales were up slightly with lots of water being sold
- Volunteers were down
- Basket sales were up about \$300
- This was a unique year with the hot weather, which may have affected activity participation.

Ideas presented for next year:

- Have a raffle for volunteers. This would encourage more volunteers to participate and to do a good job.
- Use a high school sports team/cheerleaders as volunteers for wacky-tacky hair and other games. It was noted that teams tend to work well together and since they are representing their team, they tend to be responsible workers
- Have entrance to the carnival be a snack attack item. Items could be cake, soda or whatever junk food/health food item people would like to bring. The snack attack would run until all items are gone! This would lighten our current expense: currently we purchase 100 cakes from Albertsons for a total of \$325.
- Karen Olsen suggested having a jail, dog kennel, or such. This is very popular with the kids!
- 2 dunk tanks would be beneficial so that kids who want to participate don't feel left out
- How about "whip cream" in the face?
- Utilize High School computer graphic students to make posters/signs for carnival and other PTO functions

Activity Dates Set

Date set for Watermelon Feed:	September 16, 2008
Date set for Jog-a-thon:	October 2, 2008
Proposed date for carnival:	June 17, 2009

::Principal Update:

Flood the Playground

Tasha Katsuda presented information on "Flood the Playground". This is part of the schools positive behavior system (PBS) where teachers were given the assignment of writing as many Panther Pats as possible while on the playground. Children were randomly chosen from these special Panther Pats. The school has purchased 20 new games and

winners of the Flood the Playground drawing are invited to come to the library to play games.

Pirate Write Night

The digital reading and writing team is hosting a writing event for all McCornack students on Tuesday, June 6th at 6:30pm.

State Testing

All McCornack students have completed state testing. Each student had three attempts to pass/improve their state test scores. McCornack students significantly improved scores this year in all areas, with the exception of writing. Tasha noted that writing scores were down for the entire state. Also, McCornack students did especially well on the Science portion of the tests. The science portion may reflect our students ability to retain information about science, possibly due to our science labs.

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Giant Slide Reserved

The Giant Slide has been reserved for the last day of school. PTO has paid for this rental. PTO has also purchased Otter Pops (containing juice) for the last day. Because kindergarten students are done a day earlier than the rest of the school, parents are welcome to bring them back to participate in the slide activities.

Board Members Recognized:

Holly Powell recognized outgoing board members: Paula McDonald (vice president) & Richelle Brigola (secretary) with thank you gift cards. We all appreciate all the work they have done this past year!

Auction Date

Holly Powell proposed holding the auction on February 20th or 21st.