Pomaikai Elementary School - PTSA Board Meeting – September 9, 2015

Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Gregg Okamoto (president), Andrea Bedal (vice-president), Cherisse Fernandez (secretary), Amalia Laybourn (treasurer), Gina Smith and Jaydon Isobe (teacher reps), Hisa Yoshikawa (PCNC), Bernice Takahata (Principal), Trenton Kiso (student rep, secretary) and Maile Kehano (student rep,

historian).

1. Call to order 4:15 pm
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes
   1. Motion to approve (Andrea)
   2. Second (Jaydon)
3. Reports/Requests
4. Treasurer:
   1. Update income: Choir- $830; Fun Run-$2630; Contributions-$700; Food Sales-$1288.75; Bag Sales-$98; Membership Dues-$1870; Total income: $7416.75
   2. Still owe Linda $1 per chili bowl sold; supplies costed $558; Greg will talk to Linda about amount PTSA is able to give her

2. 2nd grade requesting Scholastic Subscription; Cost is $544.52

* 1. Motion to approve (Andrea)
  2. Second (Gina)
  3. Concerns: PTSA already over budget, is grade level aware they are spending their entire budget; should subscription be moved to top line for entire school

3. 1st grade requesting Reading Eggs; Cost is $854.88

a. Info: Online reading literacy program; 76-120 licenses; Can share with other grade levels and special ed; skills addressed are blending, rhyming, building sentences; differentiates for each kid and can’t move on until master skills for that level; Reading Eggs Express-higher level, must test into it; letter sent home to all parents with log in and downloadable app info; teachers do 10-20 min rotations, some during Fun Friday, some haven’t introduced it yet; Report feature: informs teacher of child’s progress and specific skills mastered; Wonders Program is ok, but Reading Eggs more interactive and focuses on 1st grade reading skills; Child has avatar and can earn points to decorate their avatar

* 1. Discussion: Is Maui Dance Invoice for entire year? (budgeted $12000, invoice was for $11000); No, invoice was actually for $12400 due to Kindergarten getting extra dance; short $400 for Maui Dance and $355 for Reading Eggs
  2. Bernice: can use school funds to pay $755 to Maui Dance so PTSA can use funds for Reading Eggs
  3. Reading Eggs approved

4. WinterFest: Jaydon to chair; Date set for Dec 5 from 3pm-6pm

1. Invite grade levels to fundraise there/do activity: This allows them to spend more than $500 budgeted by PTSA with the stipulation that they have to pay back the overage with funds raised; Have Christmas Lights that can be used, but need generator that takes lots of manpower to pick up and bring to school; It will be start of bookfair; There will be a Photobooth with Santa; Andrea has Santa outfit and will ask neighbor to be Santa
2. Will need Key Club members (Cherisse to check)
3. Maybe have photography students document event (Cherisse to check)
4. Maybe raise price for food vendors (Committee to discuss)
5. Rummage sale-Andrea to chair

5. Fun Run: Ahlayn Labuanan (chair)

* 1. Purchased top 3 prizes: ipad mini, paintball, scooter w/helmet and pad; Otterpops have/will be purchased and bagged by classes to be handed out to teachers
  2. 3 parents from her class volunteered for teller committee, just need to decide when to have them come in; Need volunteers to help with water (coolers, cups, ice); Need 2 parent volunteers to be time keepers; When donations start coming in, Maile has people to help with that; Ahlayn will let Hisa know about opportunities to send out to parents
  3. Working on schedule for school for actual race day; Will include Fireman and Zumba; Kindergarten will start and then rotate to Zumba and then next class will start, etc

6. Choir:

a. Have not heard from Sheena about how many students have signed up for Choir; need to get list

7. Principal:

a. None

8. PCNC:

a. Backpack Buddies to continue and A+ willing to help with distribution

9. Student Reps:

a. None

10. President:

a. Cross Country: There are 20+ kids

1. We cut their budget last year, but they are wondering if there’s anything PTSA can give them to buy things for kids (e.g., coolers for meet, ribbons, dri-fit shirts next year)
2. Bernice to donate water and will fill cooler and bring to meets; may have money from school to give team; can make certificate and goodie bags to do presentation one day

IV. Old Business

1. School Supplies: maybe PTSA can purchase and distribute supplies; other school has each family pay $25 that goes into local school funds and then teacher has flexibility to purchase supplies as needed, upper grades charged $35, then teacher didn’t need to store supplies. Maybe do a survey to see if teacher and parents are interested

V. New Business

1. Paint with a Parent Fundraising Event

* + 1. Monthly event
    2. Can PTSA back the event (e.g., buy materials, etc)
    3. Discussion: 24 people per session; maybe use Winterfest Funds to pay for the materials and use funds raised to pay back Winterfest Funds

2. Event for parents/adults only

* + 1. Need a wedding planner or event planner to help plan

3. Create a Foundation

* + 1. Only elementary school that has it is Haiku
    2. Separate from PTSA, another entity to funnel donations and funds

4. School bought container from Boys and Girls Club for $250 with stipulation that school holds a clothing drive

VI. Meeting Adjourned at 5:30pm.

Next meeting October 14 at 4pm in D205 (Mr. Isobe’s room)