

Southern Boone County PTA Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Kim Ponderer. Kim welcomed everyone and then introduced new officers Robin Shaon, Vice President, Amy Hoehne, Treasure, Amy Hampton, and Secretary. Recognition of the past officers Heather Miles Mange – Past President, Jenny Grabner Vice President, Amy Shumate- Treasure, and Nancy Nicholas Secretary.

Kim also acknowledged the principals in attendance, Mr. Watchell, and Mrs. Featherly. As well as, noting that there are currently 48 teachers who have joined in the PTA membership.

Reading of the Mission Statement by Robin Shaon

Reports:

➤ Treasures Report

Amy Hoehne reported currently we have

- Operating Account \$10,691.03
- Buddy Pack Program \$817.32

Changes: The membership account has been changed to the buddy pack account, this will make it easier for Nancy Nicholas to access.

We have one scholarship recipient that we are still needing contact information.

We will have the budget for approval at the October Meeting.

➤ Meeting Minutes

Amy Hampton reported the May meeting minutes were not available for acceptance at this time

She will have them at the next meeting in October

Committee and Informational Updates:

➤ Buddy Pack Program-

Heather Miles Mange reported that Buddy Pack is in full swing, and going strong. The principals have been giving Nancy Nicholas names and identifying family needs.

Heather asked for volunteers for the program to assist with filling the backpacks, a signup sheet was sent around.

There was also a request for backpacks for the program, anyone who is interested in donating a back pack. Donations of non-perishable child friendly food items may be made as well.

➤ Passport Fundraiser-

Jody Frank reported that the fundraiser was coming to a close; there were 1400 packets that went out this year, an increase of 600 over last year. Thus far there have been 930 books sold for a total of \$11,725.00. There are still around 500 packets left to be turned in at this time, so we are budgeting to do the same amount as last year.

➤ Other Fund Raising Efforts

Moser's Receipts / Box Tops

Amy Collette explained that the Southern Boone County PTA receives money from these programs so it is beneficial to save the receipts and box tops. Moser's donates 1% of the receipt total, and General Mills Box tops will donate 10 cents for every box top donated to the school. The donation boxes are around and available in the Primary and elementary buildings, close to the entrance for easy drop off.

Last year we made \$1400 in box top collections, and \$1500 in Moser's receipts.

Schnuck's Grocery Card

Heather Miles Mange explained that parents were also able to register at Schnucks for an e-card and each time they use this card a portion of their total purchase would be deposited into the pta account for fundraising.

➤ The Learning Garden-

Lesli Moylan talked about the how the learning garden is a place where students are able to learn about growing foods, the importance of eating vegetables and fruits. The

importance of the garden providing valuable learning for the children, but also providing food for the school, and community that is fresh.

The program has grown this year to 80 students; they have begun to offer two afternoons after school for lessons and instruction. They are hoping the program will be able to expand and accept more children.

➤ Spirit Wear

Heather Miles Mange reported that a Spirit wear table was set up in the gym for anyone who was interested in purchasing or ordering items after the meeting. She also talked about the different locations for spirit wear, they will be set up at the Meet the Eagle night on September 18th, and during Homecoming on October 2nd. Heather sent around a sign- up sheet for volunteers to help with selling spirit wear during the year.

New Idea's and Activities

- I. A motion was made by Robin Shaon to bring the Learning Garden on as a PTA sponsored program. A second was made by LeeAnn Davenport. Majority vote passed, and Learning Garden is now a program sponsored by the Southern Boone County PTA.
- II. A motion was made by Jenny Grabner to assist the Kindergarten in going on their class fieldtrip this fall to Peachtree Orchards. The cost of the fieldtrip is \$375.00. Jodie Frank seconded the motion. Majority vote passed and the PTA will produce a check for the Kindergarten classes to be able to go on their fieldtrip.
- III. Reflections Program Kim Ponder is spearheading the reflections program, this is a art program for children to draw something that is beautiful and we will submit it in the contest.
- IV. Great Idea Box – We will have a great idea box at every meeting, so if you would like to comment, or give a idea to the PTA please use this box as a way to communicate with us.
- V. Spirit Wear Drawing- Jason and Dawn Thurnau's family was drawn for the \$10.00 gift certificate good toward the purchase of a piece of spirit wear.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 pm for the Room Parent Meeting to begin in the Gym area.

Next Meeting: Tuesday October 13th at 6:30 PM

Elementary Building Library