

1. The regular meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm.
2. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. All present recited the Peace Builders Pledge.
4. Roll call was taken and the present Board members: Sophie Hansen, Shana Nibert, and Deann Barnett. Absent Jeff Polk, and Erica Martin.
5. **Approval of Agenda:** Deann Barnett made a motion to open the minutes to change the agenda. Seconded by Sophie Hansen. Sophie Hansen made the motion to remove agenda number 12 due to a duplication of 6 and 12 and renumber the agenda appropriately. Seconded by Shana Nibert. Voted on and approved. Sophie Hansen seconded the motion, and it was then approved, and closed. Sophie Hansen then made a motion to approve the minutes and Shana Nibert seconded the motion. It was voted on and approved.
6. **Special Presentation: Whole Foods**
Peter Sahari Marketing Specialist from Whole Foods on Powers and Carefree reported that they are very community oriented. He informed us on the programs they offer the schools. The best program they offer is the \$.10 bag refund program. The money either goes to a school or towards your bill. This is done quarterly. We can reapply quarterly. Currently he does not have a school that has applied for the current quarter February - April. Currently does not have a school that is applying. Where you buy take and bake pizza. We purchase the pizzas and then we resale the pizzas to the parents. They also have a 5% sales program. Take the total sales for the day and it is allocated to the organization. We must also apply for this program. They are looking for partnerships. This has to be a win-win situation. Whole Foods is very interested in working with our school. They will also bring tents, fresh fruit, and reusable bags to events, such as Family Night. Contact person will be Shana Nibert. We need to have a specific purpose for the funds. Either environmental or for hunger. How does it fit in the school or the community? Educational? They also offer classes for nutrition. Chef Ann and Whole Foods are joining together to help to launch a new program. New initiative called Healthy Eating starts here. They have literature, dietitians that they will hold at the store to help with that.
7. **Administration/Staff Reports**
Mrs. Gresham thanked the PTO for the teacher's lunch. Scantron was started as soon as school was back in session and has been completed. Asked about the Christmas trees. Was

decided that the teachers can keep the trees but if they depart the schools they are to turn in their trees. Also asked about popcorn Fridays. Was determined we would go back to 1st Friday for the Elementary and 3rd Friday for Middle School. The 3rd Friday of January we would do popcorn for the entire school. Cameras are purchased. Air purifier has been purchased. Price for cameras has been increased to \$30,000 due to the fact that there are a few more cameras that need to be purchased. Reported by Mr. Dinnel. Also the phones and internet have been switched over.

8. Treasurer's Report

Deann Barnett reported that we have \$11,093.96 balance. \$6,400.00 has been earmarked for the school. 4,500 will be left in the bank. Deposited a little over \$28,000. Net income \$10,400. Has not received any expenses with Red Ribbon Week. PTO had budget for Red Ribbon Week but we have not received anything. Deann will get in contact with Mrs. Cooper.

9. Fundraisers Report

Sophie Hansen reported that there is nothing new at this time. Just to get ABC contracts approved. We did make \$150 from Chick-fil-A. Asked Mr. Dinnel to put April 30 on the calendar for Family Night.

10. Membership Report

Heather was not there for report.

11. Hospitality Report

Deann Barrett reported that the teacher's lunch in December was amazing. We had a lunch for the teachers in January. They will be providing sticky buns on Friday. The next lunch is February 5th 2nd and 5th grade parents are being asked to help. The lunch will be an Italian theme.

12. Volunteer Report

No report

13. President Report

I am vacant tonight due to new work obligations that will inhibit my attendance for week night meetings. I attempted to plan a special meeting so we could discuss the options but could not organize a quorum. Our Dad's work day was short and sweet, thanks to Trever Barnett and Bing Hack for the help. I hope we can work together and get the help that the Family Night needs and also provide volunteers for the Student Council Valentine's Dance for Mrs. Ferguson. Member Jen Zucker and I met with Mr. Dinnel to discuss the Peacebuilder Poster idea. We need to approve it and send it to school board for approval.

14. Discussion Items

A. Family Night allocation of monies raised to school fence – vote at Feb. meeting

Sophie Hansen reported that we do need to make a decision. We made about \$4,000 last year. The financials were not updated from last year. It was asked that we have a few options. A parent asked for more clarification on the fence, why, what is required,

etc. Sophie Hansen reported that she is looking into the legalities and all the issues associated to it. One of the reason we want the fence is to prevent balls from wandering into the street and a child run into the street to get the ball, also to deter a child from wandering off, or someone else from coming and walking off with a child. Mr. Dinnel gave a little more detail into the extent of where the fence would go or could go , to include from the sidewalk to the football field and around to the school. Just up the sides of the school. Sophie did report that she is working as fast as she can to do the research. A parent asked if the upper playground would be cut off if we fenced that area off. Mr. Dinnel stated that there has been discussion of sharing our gym and cafeteria and they share the playground and areas. But if we fence off the entire thing we are telling them to stay off and we are to stay off their property. Possibility of just fencing around the building and we keep the playgrounds open. A parent asked if we could use their tennis courts.

Deann Barnett asked for the list again of the things the school needed as an alternative option to vote on in February.

Mrs. Gresham printed out the list from last time so we could priorities the top 3 item to vote on for the money from Family Night.

The top three items to be voted on are: Exterior Security Camera System, fence, Marquee.

The other items discussed were: Water cooler and score board for the gym. Scoreboard was determined for SBC to obtain the money.

The marquee is needed. It was suggested that Student Council, PTO and the SBC help to get Marquee. Marquee would cost about \$20,000. Mr. Dinnel said that at the previous school they had 3 scrolling Marquees.

A parent mentioned that if there is not enough information on fence that parents are not going to want to vote for it. During the research that Sophie Hansen has being doing for the fence it lead to us getting the mulch for the school for free.

B. February movie night – Feb. 5, title selection, changes, plans????

There is no school that day. There are not any new movies coming out in February. Kat Brownsberger would like to have a Movie Night possibly in March since Planet 51 is coming out in that month. Will check and see what movies are available in April. It was decided that we will make a decision at the February meeting if we do a movie night in March and April. Kat Brownsberger was concerned that with only 3 movie nights in the year would not make the money back for the license and the screen. We have made \$420 all together from both of the movie nights. It is an annual renewal. There was a concern that we make sure that we do not make a point that this is a fundraiser and make it just a fun night. We need to encourage fun for the families and not fundraiser.

C. Uniform Resell Ideas, plans for future sales, and donation drives

Jeff and Erica are the ones that are spiriting this. We just had a resell at the end of the year. We are not sure if there are going to be parents that are willing to do this. Sophie Hansen said it would be nice to have them available. It was recommended that we have the same type of sell that we had at the beginning of the year when we have the parents bring in their clothes and then give the PTO 10% of what they made. Mrs. Brownsberger said that the parents did like the service we provided to the parents of

the sale instead of as a donation. Another parent likes the idea of donating. It was also recommended that we have two sales during the year. The first of the year and right after Christmas break. Sophie Hansen recommended that we put the clothes that are currently in the closet on a spreadsheet and post in on the web site. Last year Michelle helped put the spreadsheet together. Erica Martin already has it numbered and cataloged. If we do the spreadsheet there will have to be someone available to get the clothes out. Shana Nibert suggested we put up a rod in the PTO closet for the extra clothes. We can store some of the clothes in someone's garage and keep some in the closet for parents that need something as a donation.

15. Audience Comments:

A parent asked about callemall.com. Shana Nibert will look in to callemall.com and bring the information to the next meeting.

No other comments were made.

16. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Deann Barnett to open the minutes to make changes. Seconded by Sophie Hansen all in favor none opposed. The changes are the spelling of the treasure's name from Dean to Deann Barnett and Deann Barnett to Deann Baret in the hospitality report.

Motion made by Sophie Hansen to amend the amendments in 7 and 10 on the minutes. Seconded: Shana Nibert All in favor, none opposed.

17. Specific Actions to be considered by the PTO Board

A. Item: Movie Night Budget Approval

PRESENTED BY: Kat Brownsberger

Description: Movie Night Budget to be \$170 for each of the 2 spring 2010 dates.

Motion: Sophie Hansen Seconded: Deann Barnett

Roll call: All

B. ABC Fundraiser 2010/11 school year

PRESENTED BY: Sophie Hansen

Description: ABC catalog sales and Holiday Shoppe fundraiser

Motion: Deann Barnett Seconded: Shana Nibert

Roll call: All

C. Peacebuilder Poster Fundraiser Feb/Mar '10

PRESENTED BY: VP

Description: Member Jen Zucker-Aldridge creates high quality personalized posters with Peacebuilder theme for sale to students. Ordered via paper form, turnaround 10-14 days. Cost \$15, PTO earns \$5 per poster sold. Sales will be at Paragon night and conference days. Samples displayed at previous meeting. Synchronize with Mr. Parker Peacebuilder plans if possible.

Motion: Deann Barnett Seconded: Sophie Hansen

Roll call: All

17. Future Business

- A. Family Night allocation of funds the top three - Action**
- B. Whole Foods – pizza sales, \$.10 incentive, 5%. – Action- discuss were we would designate the funds- discussion and action item**
- C. Movie Night- March and April**

18. Next Meeting/Adjournment

- A. Next PTO board meeting date: Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 6:00pm
Adjournment Motion Made by: Deann Barnett Seconded by: Shana Nibert
All in favor, none opposed.
Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm
February 12 is not a good night because it is also the school dance. It was recommended that if the president cannot attend the meeting then he might need to rethink his obligations. In order to change the meetings to Fridays we will need to make it an action item to make it permanent. Friday nights are not goods because parents do not want to give up their nights. Mentioned that the Vice President may already be resigning. We looked at the bylaws to make sure what is required for a quorum. Was determined to keep the meeting to Tuesday nights. Mr. Dinnel said he would put the need for a Secretary in the weekly updates.

