

Werner Elementary School PTA  
5400 Mail Creek Lane  
Fort Collins CO 80525

Minutes of the PTA General Meeting  
May 11,2009

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- Call to Order** The meeting was called to order by Cathy Lee at 6:35 pm.
- Attendance** See attendance sign in sheet.
- Review of Minutes** Wanda Molinary moved to approve the minutes. Bridget Froelich seconded the motion.
- Treasurer's Report** Kathi Meersman stated that the current balance is \$26,295.60. The estimate at year-end will be approximately \$18,000. Cathy Lee clarified that the year 's expenses were about equal to the receipts, however ,the year started with a \$25,000 reserve in which some was used this year for the Blue Ribbon festivities.
- 2009-2010 Budget** Julie Grillo presented the proposed 2009-2010 budget. Three changes were made after the initial presentation of the budget last month. After working with Vicki Decker, the media budget will increase to \$3000. There will be an increase of \$50 to the hospitality budget to \$1100. And the spirit sales will decrease from \$8000 to \$4500. Renee Cohen-Jones motioned to approve the budget. Melissa Bates seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
- 2009-2010 Fundraisers** Cathy Lee stated that a walk will take place in the fall. Shae Fitzsimmons has agreed to coordinate the walk. This will take place with the fall festival. The festival will be scaled back to include music, food and inflatables. Julie Grillo introduced the idea of selling "Birthday Books "as a means of both supporting the library as well as fundraising. Parents would purchase a book through the media director. The parents could choose the topic of the book. The media director would then select a book. The child's name would be placed inside the cover. The book would be taken to the child's room to be read on their birthday and then placed in the media center. It has also been suggested to her that PTA look into selling the reusable sandwich wraps that are made by a local company.
- Literacy Proposal** Kyra Geraghty presented a proposal from Linda Janezich asking for funds to support the new Werner Book room that the Literacy Department would like to begin in the fall.

(seeHandout #1) She is currently in need of \$2000 to start the room. This room would consist of leveled books that all teachers could draw from to use with students of varying abilities different levels.. She would also like parent volunteers to help with the organization of the room. Renee Cohn -Jones motioned that we approve the amount of \$2000 for the Book Room. Melissa Bates seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. A sign up will be placed at volunteer sign up in the fall to obtain volunteer help for the room.

#### **A Principal Update**

Melissa Bates asked Hayden Camp about staffing for the upcoming year. Matt Bratten will be moving to 1st grade. The 4th grade will remain a three class grade. A fourth class will either go to 1st or 3rd grade or be split between the two . Language workshop will be decreased to two staff members. Regarding lunchroom issues, Melissa Bates stated that she appreciated the information in the newsletter. Renee Cohn-Jones felt more positive rewards and incentives in the lunchroom could be used to promote and encourage favorable behavior. Wanda Molinary had concerns regarding the temperature of the food at the time it was served. Hayden Camp encouraged her to discuss her concerns with the staff. Mr. Camp stated that committees were being formed by the district to obtain information for a mill levy in the next few years. The committee will be going around to every school to hear what needs are present at each school.They will be at the Werner site council meeting this upcoming Thursday. The district is also considering boundary changes .The District will be exploring options in regards to consolidating and closing schools to best make use of the current facilities. Teacher appreciation was well received The Specials teachers were very appreciative.

#### **Initiation of Officers**

Cathy Lee thanked all to those who helped the PTA Board this past year. The new officers for the upcoming year are Julie Grillo-President, Wanda Molinary- Secretary and Kathi Meersman- Treasure. The vice president position has not been filled. Melissa Bates motioned to accept the nominations. Renee Cohn-Jones seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42

Respectfully submitted Kyra Geraghty

#### **Addendum.**

On May 37, at 8:32 am a special meeting was held to nominate Tiffany Haag for Vice President. Melissa Bates moved to nominate Tiffany Haag for Vice President. Katy Tychsen seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.