

The meeting began at 6:30pm.

#### Welcome

- Mission statement was read by Dawn. Please review and bring your thoughts about it to the next community meeting.

#### Principals Report

- Nothing to report. Marc was not present.

#### Teacher's Report

- The teachers did not have anything to report since Curriculum night is on Sept. 17, 2009.

#### Treasurer's Report

- Copies of Budget were available at the meeting.
- Stella reported that 47% of member contributions have been received.
- 50% of corporate matching has been received (this is for the 2008-2009 school year. There is lag time with corporate donations).
- Will dip into surplus by \$3,600.00 this year.
- Any corporate matching is greatly appreciated.

#### Volunteer Coordinator Report

- Kim reported that volunteer needs have all been filled on the Org chart.
- Fun Run is Oct. 9. Need Volunteers.
- Talk with teachers about their classroom volunteering needs.

#### PTSA Liaison Report

- Angela spoke gave the PTSA update.
- Fun Run donation packets: Need volunteers to assemble them on Sept. 21. They will be sent home on Sept. 22.
- Donation timeline is Sept. 22-Oct. 9, 2009,
- "Parent Ed" funds have been decreased due to budget cuts. In the process of revamping the system. Looking at a more community learning level. Hopefully, by Oct. 1 the process will be finalized.
- Oct. 7 is the first "Math Night". This event will continue, however in the process figuring how to fund the program.
- PTSA – first meeting is Oct. 15 at 7PM. Please support PTSA as able. Membership form is online on PTSA page.
- Reminders given to wear name badge and sign in at the office when volunteering at the school.
- Ice Cream Social – Sept. 24 from 6-8 pm. Cost is \$3/ per family plus a canned food item donation.
- A part for the Kiln was paid for by the PTSA.
- The Informer will be sent via email and can be viewed online.
- Oct. 7 is the first Parent Ed Night at Redmond HS. The topic is "Getting to Calm". It is geared towards parents with kids ages 10+.
- Emergency Preparedness. The portable that houses all the emergency supplies needs to be updated/organized. John S. volunteered to do this.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Outdoor Ed fees have increased.
- PTSA scholarship basket theme this year is "Gardening". Donations are welcome.
- Nov. 3 PACE will start. Information will be sent home with the kids. Nobody will be presenting in the classrooms. This is a passive fundraiser. Last year it generated \$1,000.00 for Sandburg/DCS.
- GREEN TEAM: Susan and Christi discussed what Green Team has been doing/accomplishments. The goals are:
  1. Create student green team.
  2. Food scrap recycle program.
  3. Energy conservation.

- HERBICIDE FREE: Susan V and Denise B are the co-chairs. Presented a PowerPoint on the program. Currently, our campus is the only school in the District that is Herbicide Free.
- Needing volunteers to hand weed the grounds, otherwise the District will spray. The grounds were sprayed summer 2009.
- Areas of the grounds can be adopted. Please see Susan for maps.
- Eligible for volunteer hours.
- "Weeding Parties" are the last Sunday of every month. The first one is Sept. 27 at 11AM. Must sign a release form prior to weeding.

#### Finance/Grants

- Cameron reported that Fall/Spring is the big grant season.
- Looking into Lake Washington Schools Foundation for a grant.
- There are teachers for after school language programs: These are French, Spanish and Mandarin. Open to grades K-6<sup>th</sup>. Average fee for each class is \$10/class. Information will be sent out via The Informer to sign up. There will be an online registration. Volunteers are needed. Must be a PTSA member and have background check up to date.

#### Communication

- Leo is in charge of this.
- Pete S does the P.O.
- If you did not get a phone call from "Skyward" system this summer from Mark, please talk with Betty in the front office.
- Please send your non-time sensitive announcement to PO at [po@dcscg.org](mailto:po@dcscg.org) rather than sending an individual email to [dcs-business@dcscg.org](mailto:dcs-business@dcscg.org).

#### Facilities

- No report

#### Community Outreach

- Susan V reported. Thanks for the great job on the Hopelink School supply drive.
- Food Lifeline. Date is Nov. 21 with 2 shifts from 9-12 and 1-4. Must be ages 6+ to participate.
- Please bring canned goods especially Mac and cheese, tuna and canned fruit to the Ice cream Social or the DCS office.
- Homeless Women's Luncheon at Mary's Place. Nancy W. reported on this. It will be held in the spring. Date to be determined. Men are not allowed, but boys are. Cori will be shadowing Nancy to be able to take over this event next year. Setty P. is co-chair of Community Outreach.

#### Enrichment

- Sherri P. described Friday Specials.
- Oct. 9,16, 23 are the dates for the Fall Friday Specials.
- African Dancers will be teaching 3 different classes that all the kids will rotate through. The classes are: dance, drumming and mask making.
- Volunteers needed to help with mask making.

#### Community Building

- PNO – Oct. 16 at the Susan V. house. Italian theme.
- Fall Event: Lots of ideas were discussed about if this event would and/or should continue.

- Leo, Setty, Cindy and Christy met afterwards to discuss their ideas and to determine if they would take this event on and be the planners for it.
- One idea was to have a potluck following a weeding party.
- More details to follow.

#### Secretary Election

- His wife, Amy D, nominated David P.
- It was voted on and passed unanimously.
- He will co-chair this position with Shelley G.

#### Memory pages

- Shannon reported on what the Memory Pages are about and passed around a copy from last year.
- She gave out a handout how to access the DCS Picasa Photo Account.

#### Reflections

- Becca is the coordinator for this national PTSA Art Contest.
- The topic is: "Beauty Is..."
- Information on the contest was available at the meeting.
- Encouraged parents to have their kids participate, but not make it a stressful event/activity for them.

#### New Business

- Linda M. is also the "Caring Coordinator". She will let the community know if any community members need extra help/support during times of sickness etc.
- She is also the snack coordinator for the snacks at Community Meetings. She set out a sign up sheet to bring snacks.
- Reminders were given to encourage kids to wash hands
- Craft Fair in December. Becca is the coordinator for this and is need of volunteers.

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