

**Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> WES PTA Board meeting, minutes taken by MaryBeth Cristinziano:**

Ms. Dennen said it was a good summit at the High School. She does not know what school board changes will occur now that we have new members.

Starlynn Nipper said the No Fuss Fundraiser Conclusion was \$9,544 not including company matches. Cyndi delivered all prizes and Kristy Yashinski did receipts. Feedback form needs to be filled out. Tina can order pizzas for lunchroom (she is cafeteria manager) and she bakes them and includes veggie and milk and will deliver to classes. This is for holding class pizza parties for winners of an event, etc.

Kelli Franco reported that Odyssey of the Mind might be considered for our students. It is run by parents and kids do projects and compete with other schools. Mrs. Dennen said the program is being considered for next year because it takes a team of parents to run it.

Kelli Franco reported on the 16 surveys back from Teachers and board members referred to handouts.

Sharon Gerald explained how the Book Fair would run. It will consist of 3 shifts a day of volunteers and she is signing up volunteers now. Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> the books come in and get set up. Monday afternoon an appetizer party will be held for teachers to come in and fill out their own wish lists for the book fair. For kids who cannot afford a book, 2 books will be donated per classroom for those kids. Family Night at the book fair will be before a general PTA meeting and Wes is wanted at this event. Break down of the book fair is on the 13<sup>th</sup> of Nov.

Susan Cokas reported on cultural events and board members referred to a hand-out about the events she has planned. Tracks 1,3,4 are getting their events together this year, which is making it easier. Track 2 (one class in this) is getting Planet Earth Puppet Show. Stacey Nelson suggested that Cultural Arts events be in the newsletters so parents can know of them ahead of time to generate interest in kids.

November 16<sup>th</sup> announced as the next newsletter deadline.

Kelli Franco reviewed teacher grants and board members voted on them.

Victoria requested 30 kids safety patrol vests for \$125 and board voted YES. Julia Cooper requested \$99.80 for Scholastic Newsletter for her class and board voted 4 YES, 2 NO - APPROVED. 4<sup>TH</sup> Grade team requested \$500 for scholastic and board voted YES. Howes requested

Special Ed. Items \$108 and board voted YES. She also requested special training scissors for special ed. For \$76.69. Board voted YES. 1<sup>st</sup> grade team requested help buying Scholastic Newsletter and Instalearn, but they went over the amount permitted for grants, so the board awarded them \$500 and will request that they chose which one they want.

Cheryl Farlow asked for either \$1900 or \$1200 for the Wilson program to help struggling readers. Board voted NO because request was not within grant guidelines.

Total given in teacher mini grants is approx. \$1,651

Budget changes made: Box Tops gets \$150 (up from \$100) and School Spirit gets \$250 (down from \$300) Reflections changes to \$150 (down from \$200)

Stacey Nelson discussed a Paypal issue - there was a credit from last year of \$70. She suggested we move it from Paypal to checking account and put it under miscellaneous.

Lynn Nevarro motioned to present the budget to the general public and Starlynn gave a second motion. Everyone approved.

Stacey Nelson motioned to approve the Cultural Arts performances and Starlynn Nipper gave a second motion. Everyone approved.

Stacey Nelson explained that she is missing some invoices and check requests for Double Data and Mary Beth Cristinziano admitted she had some stashed in her car glove box and she will turn them in ASAP.

Suzanne said she would ask if Double Data would give separate invoices from now on to avoid confusion in the future and Double Data materials will be picked up 1x a week or will be delivered (she is checking on this) from now on.

Suzanne is going to include the standard number of 1000 copies in English and 80 copies in Spanish on the Communications Request form. She reminded everyone that 12 noon is the deadline on Fridays to get in information for approval, which will occur on Mondays with Mrs. Dennen. She explained that she will move the time to 5pm for herself (the time she will actually review the Communications Requests on Fridays) After Mrs. Dennen approves something she will "Reply to All" so all members involved know that the flyer, etc. was approved.

Suzanne requested that phone messages should be only reminders or reviews of what is going on *that week*.

Kelli is VP of Events - motioned and approved by Board.

Calendar reviewed

Meeting adjourned.

