

**Florence Community PTA
General Membership Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2014, 4:00 p.m.
Siuslaw Middle School Library**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Alice Burns at 4:05 pm. Eight members were in attendance. A quorum was present.

Minutes

Diane McCalmont made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2014 meeting. Bou Kilgore seconded. Vote. Motion approved.

Financial Report

No report submitted.

Correspondence

Four thank you cards were received this month. Wendy Rohner thanked PTA for the grant for healthy snacks for Fitness Fridays. Neil Wartnik thanked PTA for the gift of funds for the curtain for the wrestling balcony. Debbie Daugherty thanked PTA for the grant for shoes for older students. The Indian Ed program thanked PTA for the grant for the First Responder bag.

Committee Reports

- **Box Tops:** Alice reported the Box Tops challenge at Siuslaw Elementary School (SES) is being held March 10 – 21. Already over 1,000 box tops have been received.
- **eScrip:** The March 8 edition of the Siuslaw News reported Safeway is being bought by Albertsons. Diane spoke with Chad Dickson from Safeway who predicted the store would still be called “Safeway” and that things will remain in place with eScrip.
- **Membership:** Diane reported a total of 119 members as of March 1.
- **Viking Apparel:** Alice reported the PTA inventory is stocked up and the bill is due.
- **Book Fair Diner:** Alice reported 300 hot dogs were served. The book fair received \$3,300 in sales that night. The weeklong total was \$9,000, and 50% of that amount becomes a credit for SES with Scholastic.
- **Talent Show:** Alice reported half of the students will perform on Thursday and the other half will perform on Friday. A rehearsal will be held on Wednesday for all performers.

Old Business

- **Grant Request:** Mr. Grzeskowiak submitted a grant request for \$250 in December 2013 for a reading program at Siuslaw Middle School (SMS). At the time the grant was denied pending further information about the program. Sarah Girard reported the total cost of the program is \$1,000 and expounded on the merits of this program. Bou made a motion to gift \$1,000 to Mr. G for this reading program. Diane seconded. Vote. Motion approved.

New Business

- **Teacher/Staff Grants:** Grant Committee meets at 3:30 pm and is comprised of community members, teachers, parents, and PTA members.
 - Wendy Rohner - \$101.99 for 100 2-minute timers; this grant was approved.
 - Chris Rowbotham - \$250 for bus and admission for students to attend the Eugene Symphony; this grant was approved.
 - Laura Smith - \$200 for supplies for science fair in April; this grant was approved.
 - Alice Holden - \$35.85 for three headphones; this grant was approved.
 - Ben Wells & Andy Marohl - \$250 for camp rental fee for 5th & 7th graders; this grant was denied.
- **Outdoor Education/Adventure Camp:** Ben & Andy explained the details of this year’s camp and listed other outside resources to help fund the camp. The total cost for 200 students for 4 days is \$3,000. Diane made a

motion to gift \$1,000 to Ben & Andy for this camp. Bou suggested \$2,000. To split the difference, Diane amended her motion to gift \$1,500. Bou seconded. Vote. Motion approved.

- **2014 Scholarships:** Bou reported the 2014 scholarship application was made available online and referenced in press releases in Siuslaw News. A scholarship committee will need to be organized to determine scholarship winners.
- **Convention:** Bou reported she cannot go to convention. Diane expressed interest. Diane, Alice and Jennifer will enroll online individually.
- **PTA Bulletin Board at SMS:** Bou expressed concern about keeping the bulletin board fresh. Diane reported she changes the board every 3 months.
- **FACC:** In April there is a celebration to honor volunteers. Bou asked if PTA wants to attend. The cost of a table is \$35. Bou will see if PTA can go in with the school district on a table.
- **Gift Form:** Bou would like PTA to have an internal gift form. Jennifer will edit the grant agreement and present it at the March meeting.
- **Fred Meyer Community Rewards:** Diane enrolled PTA to participate. She will make a flyer and send copies to parents and teachers to inform them of this new way to earn money for PTA.
- **Prize Drawing:** Andy won the door prize.

Announcements

- **Next Meeting:** April 8, 4:00 pm at the Siuslaw Middle School.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Wilks
Secretary, Florence PTA