

**Florence Community PTA
General Membership Meeting Minutes
April 8, 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. Twelve members were in attendance. A quorum was present.

Minutes

Cathy Ball made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2014 meeting. Diane McCalmont seconded. Vote. Motion approved.

Financial Report

Alice reported the check register balance is \$8,800.

Correspondence

No correspondence received.

Committee Reports

- **Box Tops:** Cathy reported a total of 24,000 box tops were collected at the SES Box Tops challenge. The overall class winner was Mrs. Card's AM class.
- **eScrip/Fred Meyer Community Rewards:** PTA received \$822 from eScrip in March.
- **Membership:** Diane reported a total of 132 members.
- **Viking Apparel:** Alice reported the PTA has a good supply for spring sports. Diane will ask Kerri Tatum about the stadium seats she ordered so that PTA may get a bid from the vendor.
- **Talent Show:** Alice reported there were 18 acts on Thursday night and 18 different acts on Friday night. A total of \$956 was collected in tickets. After the expense of \$150 for FEC and \$150 for the catering, PTA made a profit of \$656.

Old Business

- **No old business.**

New Business

- **Teacher/Staff Grants:** Grant Committee meets at 3:30 pm and is comprised of community members, teachers, parents, and PTA members.
 - Annette Griffes & Shannon Graham - \$250 for 8th grade graduation party for 100 students; this grant was approved.
 - Dennis King - \$150 for rubber boots and a locker to store them for 300 students; this grant was approved.
 - Julie O'Toole - \$250 for Diaper Genie refills for approximately 12 students; this grant was approved.
 - Lynette Holdahl - \$150 for white boards for math for 100 students; this grant was denied (see below for explanation).
 - Tim Daugherty - \$150 for white boards for math for 100 students; this grant was denied (see below for explanation).
 - Sarah Girard - \$150 for white boards for math for 120 students; this grant was denied (see below for explanation).
- **Gifts:**
 - All three grades at the middle school have applied for grants for white boards for math. Since the Grant Committee already approved three other applications this month, the PTA will gift \$450 for SMS to purchase the white boards.
 - Discussion was held on the appropriateness of granting funds for a parent event. A precedent has been set by granting funds for 8th grade graduation and Project Graduation for the past several years, but the

grant applications are specifically for teachers and staff. A committee will discuss the suitability of having a separate "gift application." Diane will chair the committee; other members include Shawn Wiencek, Heather Goldsmith, Bou Kilgore, and Jenny Velinty.

- **2014 Scholarships:** The scholarship deadline is April 15 and two applications have been received so far. Diane will chair a committee to judge all the applications. Other members of the committee include Lynette Holdahl and Alice Burns.
- **Parent Teacher Conferences:** SES & SMS will hold parent teacher conferences and PTA will supply food for teachers. Alice will get Subway for SES. Heather will check with Mr. G because he's already providing a meal, so PTA could provide side dishes instead.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week:** Heather will head up a committee to put together goody bags for all teachers and staff for the week of May 5-9.
- **Convention:** Jennifer, Alice and Diane reported on the legislation that Oregon PTA supports and the workshops and speakers that they attended. Discussion was held on Common Core and Jennifer suggested holding a PTA sponsored educational forum for parents in the new school year and Mike Harklerode agreed to speak at the event.
- **Board Elections:** Bou will head up nominating committee consisting of her and Diane. Jennifer nominated Alice for Treasurer. Alice accepted the nomination. Diane nominated Jennifer for Secretary. Jennifer accepted. Jennifer will email general membership of elections being held at the May PTA meeting.
- **Prize Drawing:** Mike won the door prize.

Announcements

- **Next Meeting:** May 13, 4:00 pm at the Siuslaw Middle School.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Wilks
Secretary, Florence PTA