

Florence Community PTA
General Membership Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2013, 4:00 p.m.
Siuslaw High School Library

1. **Call to Order:** 4:05 p.m. by Alice.
2. **Welcome & Introductions**
3. **Approval of February Minutes:** Bou Kilgore moved to approve the minutes; Ethel seconded; minutes approved.
4. **Financial Reports for January and February:** Checking account balance as of 2/28/13 was \$11,197.27.
5. **Correspondence:** Tim & Debbie Daugherty were present to thank the PTA for paying the postage cost of sending gloves (Gloves 4 Love) to Afghanistan. Two boxes were sent and distributed to children there.
6. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Membership** (Diane): 123 members.
 - B. **Box Tops:** Cathie Ball reported that over 5000 Box Tops have already been collected at the elementary school. Overall class winner gets a movie and hot dog party. Grade level winners get root beer float parties.
 - C. **Carnival:** Alice wants to head it up. Diane suggests letting it go this year. Perhaps someone will step up to do it next year, or come up with a fresh idea to replace it. Kathleen will make phone calls to those who indicated on their membership forms that they would like to help with a carnival.
 - D. **Book Fair Diner:** Over \$3000 was made at the Scholastic Book Fair on the evening of the Diner.
7. **Unfinished Business:**
 - A. **eScrip:** (Diane) March is Merchant Appreciation Month, so PTA will be presenting a large “thank you” to the Safeway Manager at the beginning of the Talent Show on March 14th. Diane asked members present if it would be worth expanding eScrip to Market of Choice, as they now participate in the program. Many thought it would, so Diane will look into it.
8. **New Business:**
 - A. **Teacher/Staff Grants:**

Grant Review Committee approved three grants:

 1. Gina Halpin: \$85 to pay for the Community Health Fair Booth fee and supplies. Her class will be participating as “fruits and vegies”.
 2. Elisa Gray: \$235 to purchase a trampoline for students in her Special Education class.
 3. Jacob Steinberger: \$250 to help defray costs for middle school and high school choir students to attend the American Choral Directors Association Conference in Roseburg.
 4. The Committee also approved a project grant in the amount of \$450 to Ben Wells for a 3-day Outdoor Education Day Camp for 5th graders.
 - B. **Scholarships:** deadline is coming up April 15th.
 - C. **Programs/Dreams:** Discussion held regarding programs/projects/items that PTA could help to fund. Ideas presented:
 1. Matt Henry-reader board at the high school-they have \$11,000 and need \$18K-revisit in May.
 2. Cathie Ball-stadium steps need to be resurfaced to prevent clipping. Alice reported that she has been talking with Mark (maintenance) regarding the project.
 3. Kathleen Moore-playground equipment at the elementary school to bring it all up to date.
 4. Chris Rowbotham-portable live-stream equipment to use to broadcast school concerts, performances, and sports. He is looking into it and will report back to PTA.

Next meeting: April 9, 4:00 pm, at the **Siuslaw Middle School**.

Adjourned at 5:00 p.m.