

**SCOUTER MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY
GENERAL PTA MEETING
September 15, 2011**

MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

The general PTA Business meeting of your school PTA was called to order in the library at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2011 by President, Sally Curran. Sally asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves.

OPENING CEREMONIES:

Sally Curran opens the ceremony with the PTA mission:

- Be a powerful voice for all children.
- Be a relevant resource for families and communities.
- Be a strong Advocate for the education and well being of every child.

Sally Curran discussed the beginning of the year business. This included the Standing Rules, Established Quorum based on Standing Rules, Financial Procedures, and Proposed Budget.

ESTABLISH QUORUM:

Sally Curran discussed that each general meeting should have at list six voting member for a Quorum. However, Linda Parsons motion to have 10 voting members for a Quorum. Karen Wachhaus seconded the motion and everyone agreed by a show of hands.

STANDING RULES:

Karen Wachhaus motioned to accept the Standing Rules as they are presented and Jennifer Brown seconded the motion. There was a unanimous vote by a show of hands.

FINANCIAL PROCEDURES 2011-2012:

Sally Curran indicated that there are two people to review PTA Financial Procedures, and she explained reimbursement procedures. After which Karen Wachhaus motioned to accept Financial Procedures as written and Lori Larson seconded the motion, as well everyone agreed by a show of hands.

PROPOSED BUDGET:

Sally Curran reviewed the proposed budget. Jog-A Thon appears to be the biggest fundraising event for this year, and the money is planned to be used for the teacher education stipend and IA support. The PTA gave the Teachers' Assistants \$7,000 this year due to the larger classroom sizes and each teacher an Education Stipend. Karen Wachhaus motioned to approve the proposed budget and Linda Parsons seconded. Everyone voted to accept the proposed budget as written with show of hands.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Sally Curran presented the minutes of the general meeting held on May 19, 2011, and asked if there were any corrections/additions to the minutes. The minutes stand approved as written.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION:

Clackamas county sheriff (do not have his name) indicated that in current year Sheriffs' Department is spending budget wisely and fighting new threats on the internet. As well, Sheriff's Department identifying savings to make levy and general fund budget more effective. Ask everyone to exercise the constitutional right to vote for Clackamas County.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Jennifer Brown presented and reviewed the treasurer's report. As well as reminded everyone to fill out application for the Safeway club card in order for school to earn % from it.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR:

Amy Kimmet indicated that we still in need volunteers to sign up for committee events, especially for phone directory and yearbook. Volunteer orientation will be on the 27th at 2:00 pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

School T-Shirts-Jennifer Brown is chairing this committee. All new students will receive a t-shirt from the PTA and all T-shirts have been ordered. We will take orders for new hoodie sweatshirts, shirts, etc. for the whole family throughout the year. Anyone who volunteers to create new design for the school T-shirts please bring your voice up.

Jon-A-Thon fundraiser is being chaired by Lori Larson, she explained how the even has been planned.

Linda Parsons informed that we have 75 members now and our goal is to get 136.

Kelly Horn presented "I made this" products and the process of program. Student's art work is turned into unique gifts that you can purchase for your family and friends. There are items such as tote bags, mugs, cards, t-shirts, etc. Orders are due on November 11, 2011 and products will arrive the second week of December, 2011, right before the Christmas break.

Dinner Night Out-Kelly Horn presenting dinner out from Bellagios Pizza that is on Sunnyside on October 11th from 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. The school will earn 15% of total bill. You will need to present a flier that will be given from the school in order to get the percentage.

Sally Curran indicated that Coyote Readers is for K/1st reading program will start on the November 1st, which will run for 4 month and will be awarded by a certificate and a party.

"Getting to Know You" notebook is available by the computer where volunteers sign in, please, take advantage to thanks someone.

Box Tops and Labels for Education-Sally Curran indicated that the boxes will be places in each class. Please clip these and turn them into your classrooms. We earn 10 cents for each Box Top and earn points for Labels.

Sally Curran read a list of current committee heads per the attached committee list.

NEW BUSINESS:

Karen Rush thanks everyone for coming and she is happy to see every child in the school this year. As well she is grateful to see so many happy smiles in the beginning of the year and hopes to see all these smiles by the end of the year as well. Karen introduced Betsy Williamson - a new 1st grade teacher who joined our meeting.

The music teacher is asking to purchase a sound system to improve children performance, which would cost around \$2,200. The first performance is planned for November 18th. Linda Parsons motioned to purchase a new sound system, Kelly Horn seconded and everyone voted to approve spending \$2,200 on the system.

This year we have one more extra teacher who is in need of a \$400 education stipend. Linda Parsons motioned to pay Education Stipend to the new teacher and Jennifer Brown seconded. Everyone agreed to approve the stipend with show of hands.

Sally Curran announced that the approved check signers for the PTA are Sally Curran, Karen Wachhaus, Linda Parsons, and Jennifer Brown.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Back to School Night-September 22nd, 6 p.m.

Picture Day-September 27th, 2p .m.

Volunteer Orientation-September 27th, 2 p.m.

Jog-A-Thon October 7th

ADJOURNMENT:

Sally Curran thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vera Gavrishov, Secretary _____(Signature)

Approved as written/corrected _____(Date)

President, Sally Curran _____(Signature)