

United PTO Meeting Minutes

9/10/13

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were officers April Loveridge, Nancy Fox, Mindy Murray, and Abby Wiles; faculty Sue Wilson, Tammy Bennett, and Maggie Wallace.

Secretary Report: Accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report: The current amount in the PTO checking account is \$2333.20. The treasurer's report was accepted as presented. Moved PTO bank account from Security Savings in Monmouth to Farmer's State Bank in Alexis.

Principal's Report:

- First AIMSweb screening completed and beginning STORM.
- Confirmation statements for parent-teacher conferences taking place on September 26 and 27 were sent out to parents.
- Room parents and Art Presenters are set for the year. That information has been sent out to all parents with the head room parents receiving the phone numbers.
- Fifth Grade will go to Springfield for their field trip on September 20th. Due to a scheduling conflict the students from West will be going on October 11th.
- Fifth Grade will not be able to participate in Ag Safety Day on Thursday, September 26th. We have a 2:00 dismissal that day due to conferences.

Old Business:

- Prime Beef Festival Parade Float.
 - We received first place for our float again this year.
 - Received a congratulations card from Mr. Whitsitt.
 - Money wise, we ended up in the positive for the building portion of float.

New Business:

- By-Laws
 - April updated the by-laws and they were accepted by a unanimous vote by PTO Board.
- Pumpkin Patch Carnival
 - April is continuing her preparations for games.
 - Food committee had a meeting and decided on menu and are continuing the logistics of that portion of the carnival.
 - We will do the jail game again and a teacher will be in charge with Sue issuing the warrants with a megaphone. It cost 1 ticket to fill out a warrant and 1 ticket to get out. When kids are in the jail they will sit for 5 minutes or get out via 1 ticket.
 - Sue will bring her cd player from home to use for the cake walk.
 - We will need to buy batteries ahead of time.
 - Maggie will get the Kid's Bop Halloween cd to play for the cake walk.
 - Sue is going to ask Terry to make the number signs (1-30) for the cake walk.

- Football toss tarp will be hung from swing sets with zip ties.
 - Rubber band and ping-pong ball shoot.
 - Clothespin drop.
 - Color wheel, ring toss, duck pond, and bubble station.
 - Inflatables: the little e, velcro wall, ninja challenge, two-lane slide.
 - We will also have pucker powder machine and cotton candy machine that the inflatables vendor is bringing at no additional charge. Pucker powder is a 20% profit and cotton candy is a 50/50 split.
 - We will need a worker for each of those machines as well as the inflatables.
 - April has some volunteers for inflatables and games, but she still needs more volunteers.
 - Sue will check with Hannah Baker to see about doing face painting as well.
 - Bake sale will be inside gym as well as Haase Embroidery and Raffle.
 - Maggie and Tara got awesome donations for the raffle.
 - April is working on money takers for carnival.
 - Need cash box for armbands/tickets and food. Cash belt for raffles.
 - April is making raffle tickets so people can write legible on the ticket.
 - We need to get bags or baskets for people to drop tickets into.
 - Julie Olin and Sue will help at ticket/armband table.
 - April will check to see if we need to get gas for inflatables.
 - We will begin setting up for carnival that Saturday at 2:00.
 - The week of the carnival we need to hang banner on fence.
 - Erin Olson will be donating hay bales.
 - Bake sale items will be donated by grades 3, 4, and 5.
 - Cake walk items will be donated by Pre-K bringing cookies and Kindergarten bringing cupcakes.
- Book Fair
 - Blue Ribbon Book Fair will be here to set up on Monday, September 23rd at 10am and be back to pick up on Friday, September 27th at noon.
 - We will have to set up in the gym.
 - Students will fill out wish lists and browse during the day.
 - Book Fair will be open to purchase books Wednesday evening from 3:15 to 6, Thursday evening from 3:15 thru parent-teacher conferences. Also open Friday morning.
 - Alexis Fall Parade
 - We will be participating in this parade.
 - We'll be walking with Pumpkin Patch banner and United T-shirts. Kids can throw candy.
 - Parade starts at 4:30 on September 27th. Parade participants will begin lining up at 4:00 at the bus barn.
 - We will meet at the school at 3:45 to get ready.
 - Concession Stand
 - We will be doing concession stand Monday, October 13th for the Fresh/Soph game at 6pm.
 - We will make \$125 for working the stand.
 - We will just be working the stand. We will not need workers to grill.

- April volunteered to work but we will need additional workers as well.
- Market Day
 - April submitted the first market day orders and pick up was Thursday at 5:30.
 - This month's money goes to both Pre-K classes and speech teacher.
- Greenery
 - April is working on flyers that will go out September 30th.
 - We will sell greenery thru October 31st.
 - April needs orders submitted by November 4th.
 - Orders will be delivered to school the week of November 19th.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 8th at 6:00 in the library.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Abby L. Wiles

PTO Secretary