

Palmer PATS

September 17th 2009

President: Dee Morgan

Vice President: Rhonda Ashley

Treasurer: Patti Beaudoin

Secretary: Sheri Abdullah

Present: Sheri Abdullah, Dee Morgan, Patti Beaudoin, Rhonda Ashley, Jamie Bernard, Linda Arnold, Nikki Cappello, Diane Baker, Denise Lang

Meeting called to order at: 6:35

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance: \$7,996.38

Withdrawals: \$8,117.49

Deposits: \$5,524.06

Ending Balance: \$5,402.95

Principal's Report:

Book Fair: Mrs. Wrighter has offered to run the book fair for us one more time, but we do need to find a Palmer parent to take this over.

Sign: Nikki Cappello completed the painting of the sign. Mr. Carey arranged for the landscaping. Student Council will be changing the announcements on the sign. For the time being we are sharing letters with the middle school until we determine if we need to purchase our own.

PATS Member ship Drive: Mrs. Bernard suggested we investigate some type of a membership drive to increase participation.

Welcome Back Picnic: The Rain date will be October 2nd. If it rains again then the picnic will take place in the cafeteria.

Old Business:

Towels: Towels are in and have been fixed. We will not be able to return them again if they continue to peel.

New Business:

Movie Night: The first movie night will be September 25th. Dee Morgan will look for a G rated movie to be shown. There was discussion about cancelling movie night since the picnic is the following Friday, but it was decided to go ahead with the movie night.

Open House: There was discussion about having a PATS table at Open House. It was decided that there would be a PATS table with volunteer sign ups for PATS activities and committees. There will also be a bake sale, a Wegman's gift card raffle, spirit wear display, and discounted Group Coups from Burger King. A motion was made and carried to buy a \$50.00 gift card for Wegmans to be raffled off. Mrs. Cappello and Ms. Ashley will have tickets made. Teachers will also be provided with sign up sheets for PATS committees in their classrooms on the night of Open House. Patti Beaudoin will oversee the PATS table, and Mrs. Cappello will be asked to help her.

Fundraising:

- Homecoming Table: Several suggestions were made for a homecoming table, including cider and doughnuts, candy apples, umbrellas, and spirit wear. Dee Morgan and Patti Beaudoin agreed to check prices for apples, cider, and doughnuts.
- Avon: Patti Beaudoin brought information about an Avon fundraiser. Students would be provided with three sheets to order from. People could order combinations of items that would equal \$15.00. Choices included sunscreens and bug sprays, lotions, hand sanitizers, and make up. Our profit would be 35%. A motion was made and carried that we use this as a fall fundraiser.
- Cookie Dough: Jerri Natoli is saving this for us. If we do not do well with the Avon then we may try this again.
- Giant/ Weiss Market: Jamie Bernard will call to see if we can be assigned a weekend at Weiss markets. We would get a percentage of their profits that weekend if shoppers brought in paperwork from PATS, stating that they were supporting our group.
- Spirit Wear/ Umbrellas: Dee Morgan will look into obtaining screen printed black knight umbrellas to sell.
- Box Tops/ Capri Sun Pouches/ Nestles Water Bottles: We will continue to collect box tops. Mrs. Harrison will continue to coordinate this. It was decided not to do Capri Sun Pouches as they have to be cleaned. Nestle labels will continue to be collected as will Campbell Soup labels.
- Game Night/ Babysitting Night: It was suggested that we have a babysitting night with open gym and board games. We would charge for the babysitting and organize adults to oversee various activities. This was tabled as there were a lot of questions about the feasibility.

- Gertrude Hawk: This was another possible fundraiser idea. PATS has a history of doing very well with this fundraiser. It was discussed that even though middle school PATS does Gertrude Hawk at this time, we may still be able to sell it as well.

Yearbook: Maureen Gilbert will be contacted about the yearbook. She is looking into other yearbook options for us.

Correspondence: PATS received a thank you from Mrs. King's family for the donation that was made in her name.

Meeting adjourned: at about 7:40.