

Palmer PATS February 16, 2011

President: Dee Morgan

Vice President: Rhonda Ashley

Treasurer: Deana Hubal

Secretary: Sheri Abdullah

Present: Sheri Abdullah, Deana Hubal, Rhonda Ashley, AmyPessarchick, Dee Morgan, and Jamie Bernard

Meeting called to order at 6:03

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance: \$17,073.25

Deposits: \$40.00

Withdrawals: \$673.52

Ending Balance: \$16,439.73 (Principal's Fund of \$621.65 is included in this amount)

Principal's Report:

Price Chopper Tools for Schools: We have points to claim 1,035 points. Our school does need to be enrolled. Dee will check into this.

Pencils: Mrs. Bernard will be ordering pencils with test taking logo from her principal's account for 3-5 testing. Mrs. Bernard will also be getting glow tags with test taking mottos. Cost of pencils only was requested from the principal's fund.

Guidance Internship: Lori Cobb is working with students on test anxiety as part of her internship. Lori is requesting we consider giving 3-5 "Rock the Test" tee shirts, as a way to make the test a more positive experience for students. Mrs. Cobb will get in touch with Mrs. Condie to find the best deal on these if we consider them.

Playground Payment: Credit cards or POs are accepted. Credit card reimbursement is not the best option since school employees cannot pay for the equipment on a credit card, but we can donate money to the district and then the district can create a PO to pay for the equipment. Non school employees could pay on a credit card and be reimbursed.

Insurance: PATS is an organization outside the school, and the school board policy suggests we have liability insurance to cover us for PATS sponsored events. A certificate of insurance also needs to accompany a facilities use form when we ask to use the building for events like Movie Nights and Craft Days. Insurance certificate only needs to be submitted once a year. This should cost about \$300.00 a

year and will be liability insurance to cover multiple events. The school does not endorse a particular company, but PATS could enquire as to who the school uses.

New Business:

PARP: The theme will be Reading Rocks. A teacher committee met and has arranged for everything including prizes, mystery readers, and assembly. Rhonda Ashley motioned and Amy Pessarchick seconded to fund PARP for up to \$2,000.00. The Hill Brothers, a children's rock group, will be contacted for an assembly for their Rocking Reading program. Prizes of lollipops, pencils, and bookmarks labeled with Reading Rocks will be ordered with a big last week prize of a Reading Rocks water bottle. Teachers will perform at an opening PARP assembly, and the school will be decorated with disco balls and other rock themed decorations. Possibly music will be played in the morning and it was suggested that the students be allowed to dress as rock stars on the day of the assembly.

Requests for funds: It was discussed that formal typed letters should be submitted by teachers for stipends and requests for funds. It was also discussed that teachers who are requesting funds for field trips or larger things should be present at a PATS meeting when asking for funds.

Old Business:

Playground Equipment: Amy Pessarchick motioned and Rhonda Ashley seconded to pay a little more for the playground equipment as the original company is no longer selling playground equipment. The fun hoop cost almost \$300.00 more from this company, but there is free shipping. Dee Morgan was fine with paying for the equipment on her credit card and being reimbursed. Since she is not a school employee this would be allowed.

Play Equipment: Dee Morgan suggested we purchase some indoor play equipment for rainy days or some balls for outdoor recess. Mrs. Bernard will ask Mr. Hogan to inventory the equipment we have and let us know what is needed.

Electric Kettle: Dee Morgan has found several options for hot water. She found a 10 cup electric carafe for \$33.00. She will purchase another one as we agreed on this purchase two meetings ago.

Gertrude Hawk: As soon as the flyers come in Esther Knapp will let Dee Morgan know so that they can go home.

Movie Night: After research and consideration Mrs. Bernard rescinded her motion from last month to show Marmaduke since it is a PG movie. There was discussion about not having a movie night as an appropriate movie is not out on DVD. There was also discussion of reducing the number of movie nights due to poor turn out. Deana Hubal motioned to cancel February movie night and Ms. Ashley seconded. The motion carried.

Brookes Barbeque: We have a date of May 1st and June 5th reserved. It was decided that May 1st would be a good date.

Correspondence:

Letters of requests for stipends were received from Mrs. Symons and Mrs. Dayton.