

## PTO Meeting Minutes February 15, 2012

Pledge recited and meeting called to order at 3:40 pm. Attendees included: Kim Hogan, Nita Watson, Larissa Jones, Curt Goure, Heather Struve, Lynn Holland, Linda Pileggi, J.L. Jackson, Smantha Morton, Joan Campbell, Terra Martoccia, Michael Bashaw, Karyn Miller Lydia Moore, Tricia Zadina, Catherine Saifer

Joan Campbell presented on the Art League. A two-day tour of artist studios, some located at the artists homes will be conducted on March 24-25, 2012. The league is working on scholarships that will now include the middle-school and charter school in addition to the high school. The league feels that the schools need more help in their arts departments. Ticket price for the tour is \$20.00, and 100% of the ticket money will go to the schools. Nita Watson will take the tickets to sell, a total of 10 tickets to be sold. We can obtain more if needed. Kids can join in at the studios to both help out and participate in creating something. Musicians will be performing during the event as well.

Approval of January minutes – Lydia Moore presented a couple of corrections need to be made. PM needs to be added in second paragraph. Treasury Report: Sustaining report vs. PTO account. After these changes were made, approval was made.

Treasurer's Report was provided by Linda Pileggi

PTO Checking - raised \$1900.00 at our garage sale after paying for storage. Of this amount, \$69.00 was from reusable bag sales. Box tops earned our school \$274.20. It was added that Safeway is providing a voucher for box tops (Carmen Feeney will look into this further to advise us at a later date). The dog show netted \$460.00 after deducting ribbon costs of \$80.00. E-script rebate earned was \$98.77 and our current balance is \$15,700.

Sustaining Fund stands at \$11,800.

A credit card machine has been secured for February 29, 2012 (silent auction and art walk) and April 21, 2012 for the PTO Gala. Lydia Moore announced that she is resigning her position of PTO co-treasurer effective immediately and returned to Linda Pileggi the treasurer's report and Meridian Bank information.

Nomination for President: Karyn Miller, withdrew an earlier motion of nominating Caroline Prelog for PTO President, and made a motion for Nita Watson to continue her assumed role of PTO President. In addition, Karyn made a motion to have Caroline Prelog assume the PTO Vice

President position for the remainder of the school year. This motion was seconded by Kim Hogan and approved by all.

Nita Watson provided an update on the PTO Gala. The date has been set for April 21, 2012. AZ Bartenders has been notified of date change. Early ticket prices are \$65.00 a piece and teachers are free. Tickets will be sold at the Silent Auction event on February 29, 2012. After that, the price will increase to \$75.00 per ticket. JL and Pamela have worked a menu through sign up genius which is an online program. This year the menu will reflect a Mediterranean theme. With the program, items needed are listed and the user will select the item/items they sign up to provide to the Gala event. When signing up to provide food, please use disposable tray. Nita Watson created a sign up sheet for anyone looking to receive the menu via email. The items listed within the menu are very specific to ensure we are getting what is needed. A mass email will be sent from administration asking for the donated items if by March 31, 2012 all items have not been selected. Last year's event had 53 paying participants. Once again alcohol is being donated through numerous donors. In addition, Will Ludewig is looking to obtain discounted liquor. A Semi-formal attire is desired at the event.

The Silent Auction is set for February 29, 2012 and will run from 5:00-7:30 pm. Donations are due today. Teachers are promoting donations to the kids so they know what is there so they in turn can inform their. Flyers for silent auction are being posted around town. Volunteers are needed. Nita Watson passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers and we will need someone to monitor the fund raising van from Mid-First bank. A list of donations that have already been provided was passed around for review. If anyone would like to donate a party for a class, that would be a welcome donation (some examples: ice cream party, pizza party, root beer float party). Classes continue to work on their art to display at the art walk. Gala tickets will be on sale that night and credit cards will be accepted for payment of items won at the auction. Also on sale that evening will be \$5.00 individual raffle tickets for a 50/50, or 5 tickets for \$20.00. Wall of wine raffle tickets will be available and Cactus Day Camp raffle tickets at a cost of \$10.00 per ticket. The wall of wine and cactus day camp raffle ticket sales will end at live auction during the PTO Gala on April 21, 2012.

The end of the year carnival is set for May 10, 2012. The carnival will run from 5:00 – 7:00 pm with book fair. This book fair will be a buy one get one free fair. This year's theme for the carnival is a Luau.

A Parent committee to discuss bullying is in the works and rules in place. This will be an ongoing effort with both school and parent participation.

Karyn Miller provided an update on AZ strut, the company that donated laptops and computers to our school. We received three more computers yesterday and three more are coming. In addition, a smart board has been secured.

Motion to approve the PTO bylaws as listed with the updates made February 15, 2012. (By-laws are attached to these meeting minutes).

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm