

# Minutes for Prairie Lane PTO Meeting

Thursday April 18, 2013 7pm

## WELCOME

**Present:** Tracy Haase, Jessica Winnie, Jenny Hermes, Kelly Ficker, Kari Ray, Jacque Bridgeman, Carrie McDonald, Nicky Ichen, Cristi Gallagher

Meeting opened by Tracy Haase at 7:06pm

## Officer Reports:

President- Tracy Haase - no report

Vice President- Jessica Winnie - no report

Secretary- Kelly Ficker - review & approval of March 2013 meeting minutes- Motion to approve by Nicky Ichen, seconded by Jacque Bridgeman. All in favor. Yes

Treasurer- Jenny Hermes - review & approval of March Financials (7/1/2012 – 6/30/2013) - Motion to approve by Kari Ray, seconded by Nicky Ichen. All in favor. Yes

Principal- Not present

Teacher Representative – Carrie McDonald – thanks to PTO. Will inform teachers of PTO request to have representatives present (sign-up sheet for next year).

## Committee Reports:

- Book Fair/VIP Night- Erica Ekkela 4/29-5/2 VIP night on 5/2 – PTO to bake cookies for VIP. If interested in volunteering please contact Lacy Pearl for Book Fair or Erica for VIP Night. Notes went home for VIP Night.
- Market Day pick up April 29. May 20 will be last pick up for year. June date is cancelled. Stay tuned for next year's Market Day; PTO looking at different options.
- Newsletter- should be distributed by teachers, possibly post on FB. Issues with sending electronically. Teachers were asked to distribute to their email list.
- Teacher Appreciation Week- Melissa Eritano/Becky Longrie 5/6-5/10, many things for teachers, see newsletter – massages, lunch, etc. Notes to teachers to be sent in. Carrie M. recommended that sending home a flyer listing events would be useful (to oldest and only).
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade grad luncheon- Jacque Bridgeman – working with Jennifer Kennefic. Will try to work with 4<sup>th</sup> grade parents on setting up for ceremony. Will get copy of pizza order forms to Tracy to have ESC print.
- Will be starting to look for chairs/what is needed for next year – List will be sent out once current chairs respond if they will continue in function. If interesting in chair/co-chairing activity, please see board member.

## Old Business:

- Chess Club over next week – going well. Students enjoying.
- Archery clinic being put together for May 30 – Thursday Evening event. Offered to grades 1-5. No limit for the # of students. Free.
- Jump Rope assembly – Fun/active. Positive feedback from teachers/students. Mark encouraged students, rewarded them on integrity, effort, etc.
- Security Cameras/Lock down buckets – Nicky will have buckets available. Will store in PTO closet. Carrie to check with Sue if she has any info pertaining to items for buckets (ladders/walkie talkies, etc). Will need to find out if district working on security cameras.

PTO has \$5000 approved for security cameras and \$2000 for lock down buckets from March meeting.

**New Business:**

- Nomination Committee/Voting on board for next year  
Kari Ray-Secretary – All in favor. Yes  
Tracy Haase-Vice-President – All in favor. Yes  
Swearing in at next meeting.
- Additional info/comments?
  - Box Tops – Jacque stated Prairie Lane brings in about \$1000-1400/year and that Pleasant Prairie takes in \$5000, Good Shepherd \$1000. Will have collection for last month. Get 300 box tops by end of year earn popsicles as reward. Jacque working with Jill Powell-Taylor on rewards/system for next year to boost participation; i.e. Extra class recess (Carrie M to supervise).
  - Does Target still provide red dot fundraising?
  - Distribution of PTO Minutes: Kelly to continue to send Adam R. minutes to post on school website and will copy Carrie M. who will pass along to teachers. Looking for more teacher involvement/information so that we don't have duplication of activities.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49pm.

**The next/final PTO meeting will be: Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup> 7pm.**

We look forward to seeing you there!

“Nobody can do everything, but everyone can do something.”