

CORDLEY PTA MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 7, 2011

Meeting began with Introductions of attendees. Scott Cinnamon was not able to attend, Staff Representative was Joyce Bell, Librarian.

TREASURER'S REPORT

This months budget report has a healthy balance. There were some anticipated expenses (5th /6thgrade field trip, farm to school, Club salaries, teacher gift. And some unanticipated expenses (\$50/person for retirement gift). The budget does need a little more work. \$400.00 was added for the Farm to School expense and Paper products of \$200.00. There are more expenses than income, but this is true of last year as well. We took in more than we expected last year, for example Flags and Hardware we did not spend last year. Overall, it is a healthy balance.

CHRISTIN HOLT: VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

Lawrence Hunger Project. Famine Relief Food Packaging & Local Food Drive 1-7 pm. Oct. 16th Lawrence High School West Gym. LHS is partnering with local schools in a statewide effort to prepare meals to be sent to the Horn of Africa to help relieve hunger of refugee victims. Looking for volunteers of all ages (those under 5 should be considered "helpers") to work 2hr shifts in an assembly line to prepare packaged meals: (rice, beans, vitamin mix) Local businesses have donated the food. Visit www. lawrencehungerproject.org for more details. Or email Christina Holt: cholt@ku.edu

IDEA - Cordley teachers talk about hunger issues. Kelly Barker will contact Christina and Jackie Stafford offered Central Middle School technology class could work on a presentation.

OLD BUSINESS

Watermelon Feed: Ran out of watermelons. Used 12 from local farmer: Root Farms. Now have a total of 14 PTA memberships. New email list includes PTA members, committee chair groups. Emails will be sent for Volunteer activities and one time needs. Jeannie Hought has roomparent lists to add emails to announcements. Announcements go on the PTA website or bulletin board. Jackie Stafford pleased with number of people on her committee.

Open House took place on Ramadan, the holy week for Muslims. Look into timing of next year's open house/watermelon feed.

CARNIVAL - JENNIE LANNING-RUSH

4th and 5th grade bring 2 liters bottles. K-3rd bring Cookies/desserts. Anyone bring cakes for cake walk. Ice Cream, cake walk, popcorn 50 cents. Henna tattoo \$3.00. Permission slip signed by parents at the table. Wrist bands \$10.00. Mr. Cinnamon will provide families of need with wristbands. Kids who come to the Carnival on their own without a parent use discretion on the cost. Announcements will be put in the newsletter and facebook.



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Need HELP with the SILENT AUCTION. Better communication that the chairperson is responsible for Silent Auction as well as Carnival set-up is needed for next year. Need help soliciting Auctions, not a lot of confirmations. Need help to pick items up.

Looking at two companies for inflatables. \$700-\$900. District owns moon walk that can be used in the Gym. Companies also offer other carnival items like wristbands. Last year Boomerang Bouncers was used for inflatables for \$400.00. Maybe try Sunflower Rentals?

Kelly Rice is in charge of food/ Last year \$320.00/food \$60/kitchen help

Hot Dogs - Looking for roaster so not soggy like last year

Chips

Pizza- 15 cheese and pepperoni

Fieldstone orchards (by Overbrook) to bring apples for the food table? We could advertise for them in exchange

IWIG dairy for discounted ice cream? DQ give us a deal? Silas & Maddy's? 3 spoons? Dillons?

Art Project- Frisbee Spin Art Machine. If it fits in the budget. If not, Face Painting by KU students. Looking at Light Rental. Need to check circuits to see if they can handle the load. JENNIE will email Colin in regards. Maybe check with Cottins if Light Rental is too expensive.

Will use KU students as volunteers again. Coordinator is a Cordley parent. Estimation Jar. KU students will keep track of estimates.

Teacher's auction raised \$1000 last year. Mr. Cinnamon heads this up.

Kelly Rettig is doing class painted planters this year for auction. Send out announcement for volunteer painters, advertise on website and facebook. Maybe ask Kylee to do phone announcement

IDEA:- PREPAY Wristbands for Carnival. Send out order form in Wed. Folder and send wristbands home. This way parents can buy wristbands for friends/neighbors. If Jennie attends Carnival Lady on Sept 11th open house she can get wristbands for free.

Officers at Table selling wristbands, tickets for food, henna and art project. Treasurer brings cash box. Any table with tablecloth requires a ticket.

Prizes can come from Oriental Trading Company. \$120.00 was spent last year on prizes. \$200.00 should be spent this year since we ran out. Jennie is also looking into dental offices to see if they will donate stuff.

\$10 is a good deal for a carnival since we do not have kids purchase tickets for games or inflatables. PTA has insurance but not enough to cover inflatables.



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IDEA: Have rooms collect something and auction off room collections. Re gifting.

Shana make changes to poster and then send to Jackie Stafford for Newsletter Contact Jennie at: cordleycarnival@gmail.com

CLUB REPORTS & STATUS

2 Clubs last year. Language Club and Nature Club.

Language club: Meets wed 3:45-5:00. 27 sessions. (3 nine week sessions). 3 groups broken up by age group that rotate through three languages (Russian, Chinese, Spanish) every nine weeks. Concludes with World Fair in May. \$4/session plus \$7 material fee = \$115 year.

Nature club: Tues afternoon Fall and Spring 3:45-5:00 11 sessions \$4/session plus \$7/material fee. Background check to be done on instructors: \$20.

Option of partial scholarship: a solution is not settled on. PTA does have \$500 to support clubs.

No minimum balance on checking accounts for clubs. So separate accounts will apply. Phil for Chess Club, Treasurer for PTA, and a signer is needed for "Clubs".

Sharon will print this months newsletter with the club information attached.

GARDEN DAY

Sept 11 1-4. Donate plants, mulch, drop off east wall if can't show up. Four stations to work in at the Garden Day.

Sharon needs help writing a grant for The Elizabeth Schultz Grant that needs to be turned in Oct. 3. A group of volunteers will meet once to apply for this grant to create a Teaching Garden for 2nd graders and Kindergarten (Monarch butterfly)

NAPKINS/PLATES

Dollar amount will be divided up and Diaz Moore family will purchase at Cosco in bulk. \$200.00 budget.

FARM TO SCHOOL

Appealing Tentative Menu. 2nd Week in Oct. Discuss at the Oct. 5th PTA meeting.

LJW

Wants to do a special interest story about 911. Looking for children born 2001.