

Sacajawea Elementary PTA Board and General Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 14, 2015 – 6:00pm – Media Center

Meeting called to order at 6:02 by Katie Jeffries.

Secretary: Stephanie Seley presented the September meeting minutes. Minutes were approved with one change: "Meeting adjourned by Katie *Jeffries*."

Treasurer's Report: Karie Rinker and Teddy Raines reported. Sealed August statement was opened by Heather Lindberg. Sealed September statement was not available before the meeting. Umpqua bank balance as of September 30th was \$20,420.50. Money Minder balance as of today is \$23,270.44. Umpqua CD balance as of May31st is \$16,102.31 with a deposit of \$34.43 in interest. Money Minder free trial expires 10/28/2015 and will cost \$159 per year. We have been using this program and think it is a great fit for our PTA. We have three quotes for our tax preparation, the lowest being H&R Block at \$125.

There are 3 unbudgeted funds requests: Trina Irons requested \$304.99 + tax for a new white board in the gym. The second is from Mrs. Eagle in the amount of \$750.00 for leveled readers for K-8. Questions: Is the licensing for the whole school? Is there an annual fee? Is there online access? The last one is for a new laminator from Trina Irons in the amount of \$2,054.18. Questions: Do we have a comparable price on laminators on the market? Should we look for a vendor outside of the district? Susan Normington moved to approve the unbudgeted funds requests for the white board and for the reading curriculum (upon answers to the above questions). Cristi Wikstrom seconded. Motion unanimously approved. Laminator request will wait until next month.

Principal's Report: Travis Bond reported. Very excited for the upcoming Teacher Potluck during conferences. Our goal this year is 100% of conferences completed. Will see things coming soon from the No Excuses University. Each classroom may adopt a college, learn the fight songs, free "College Bound" t-shirts, and preparing each student for college...Lots of excitement as we move forward. 5th grade will be taking a field trip to the University of Portland, and other classrooms will be visiting WSU Vancouver. When kids buy in their success levels are great.

Teacher's Report: Jodi Church reported. Teachers are preparing for conferences. You may see a sheet on how your child scored on the new iReady tests this year. This will tell you where they stand, and what they need to do to reach their goals. Kids will be tested three times this year.

Active Committee Reports:

Harvest Festival: Katie Jeffries reported. Harvest Festival is November 6th, 6:30-8:30. Volunteer forms provided at the meeting. If anyone would like to co-chair the event the planning is underway. Stephanie Seley is coordinating Bingo, Lora Harrell is doing pumpkin banners in the cafeteria, there will be a photo booth, Dilly Bars, creative craft in the cafeteria, games, DJ, etc. Need decorators, set-up, clean-up.

Fall Fundraiser: Angela Arnett reported. Fundraiser went great (\$6121.00 raised) and Mrs. Baybado, Mrs. Andres-Bye, and Mrs. Venema were the winners this year.

Art to Remember: Katie Jeffries reported. Cam Swarts has put a lot of time into making Art to Remember happen. Order forms go home October 27th and are due November 3rd.

Partnership Events: Heather Lindberg reported. Burgerville Night is Dec. 7th. We will start advertising closer to the event, and we will need teacher volunteers. Gift cards will be on sale for Burgerville.

Giving Tree: Stephanie Seley reported. We are adding books to the sign up list so we can have a book tree at the Book Fair. Meeting with Kelly Pranger-Achen soon.

Teacher Staff Potluck: Brianna Wellburn reported that we have 14 potluck sign-up forms turned in already. Don't forget to pick up your dishes after the potluck.

Walk to School Day: Heather Lindberg reported that Walk to School Day went well. Colleen Sulliman was the winner of the family prize.

Ongoing Committee Reports:

5th Grade Committee: Katie Jeffries reported. First popcorn and licorice sale went great. Kids were happy and there were a lot of quarters. Kindergarteners had a good time buying popcorn and pencils. Next sale will be October 30th. The sales will be the last Friday if possible.

Legislative: Heather Lindberg reported. The Legislative Assembly will be in Olympia on October 24th. Heather will be representing Sacajawea. There is a resolution to fully fund education, and Heather would like Sacajawea PTA to adopt the resolution as a PTA Paramount Duty Resolution. Angela Arnett motioned to back the resolution, Susan Normington seconded. Resolution unanimously approved.

Membership: Wendi Stone reported. 100 members, 20 are staff. Our goal is 160, ready to do drawing.

Newsletter: Brianna Welburn reported. Sent out the October newsletter. Thank you to everyone who gave feedback. Please send anything for November newsletter to Brianna soon.

Rewards: Cristi Wikstrom reported. BTFE Contest ends Friday, already got the check from the spring. Should get the next check in December. Ordered new playground balls with the LFE points. Susan Normington reported that Grocery Outlet cards will be sent out in Friday Folders this week. 5% of all sales will go to the PTA.

Spirit Wear: Katie Jeffries reported for Brandi Dymant. Flyers going out tomorrow. Online ordering is up and running.

Volunteers: Katie Jeffries reported that we need a volunteer coordinator.

Website/Facebook: Stephanie Seley reported. Stephanie created a new website through weebly.com. The working URL is www.sacpta.weebly.com. Should be up and running before the next PTA meeting as www.sacpta.com. We will send out a website launch flyer and figure out a way to get people to visit the new site. Maybe a giveaway?

New Business:

Katie reported that Lora Harrell created a new bulletin board in the hallway, "Skyhawk Scoop" theme.

Karie Rinker reported that we need to approve three changes on the budget. Heather Lindberg moved to approve the changes in the budget, seconded by Julie Hutchins. Changes unanimously approved.

Katie says thank you to all who attended the WSPTA Fall Conferences Region 3 Training: Katie Jeffries, Angela Arnett, Stephanie Seley, Karie Rinker, Teddy Raines, Wendi Stone and Heather Lindberg. The PTA Presidents and Principals breakfast is November 17th.

Wendi Stone drew names for Membership Drawing. Cheryl Sawyer and Terri Brashear won the Dutch Brothers baskets and Karen Norton won the Adirondack chair.

Meeting adjourned at 7:14 by Katie Jeffries.