

PTO Working Meeting

July 20, 2009 at 4pm

Called to order at 4:05pm

- Board Attendance: Misty O'Leary, Emily Ragan, Allyson Ford, Michelle Barrette, Jeannie Reddan, Bonnie Buckley, and Meredith Jacobs, Amy Lee. Proxy vote attached for Laura Heese
- Additional Attendees: Robin Warnke, Dean Brown, Dean Peters, Clayton Watson, Paul Hardison, and Steve Schilffarth
- Minutes from the June 12th working meeting were approved
- General and Working Meetings approved for the 2009-2010 school year are as follows:
 - General Meetings w/ SAC
 - September 23rd, Wednesday budget mtg., 6:30pm PTO and 5:30pm SAC (times changed after the mtg)
 - November 19th, Thursday, 6pm PTO, 5pm SAC
 - January 28th, Thursday, 5pm PTO, 6pm SAC
 - April 22nd, Thursday, 6pm PTO, 6pm PTO, 5pm SAC
 - Working Meetings (Thursdays at 4:30pm)
 - August 27th
 - October 29th
 - February 25th
 - May 20th
- Each board member was asked to sign up and be a PTO representative at the monthly Governing Board Meetings
- Approved PTO coverage at registration
 - August 3rd 9:00-10:30am Misty O'Leary; 10:30-12:00 Michelle Barrette
 - August 4th 9:00-10:30am Allyson Ford; 10:30-12:00 Emily Ragan
 - Bonnie Buckley will handle distribution of school supplies for both days
 - Kendra Landry will handle distribution of hoodies for both days
 - Direct donations will be accepted on both days, credit cards allowed
 - PTO Handbook to be available online, with a flyer to be presented at registration

- Treasurer's Report

\$22,686.60 was paid out to ACS by the PTO

The remaining balance of \$15,403.60 was approved to be allocated towards the curriculum

\$5,000 will go towards Teacher Scholarships

ACS reimbursed Mrs. Huskins \$83 for the electricity to run the kiln at her home

\$2,200 will go to the 6th Grade Language Arts Treasures Program

This will leave the PTO a balance of \$5,000

School Supplies orders have pulled in around \$7,000, with an additional \$10-20 in donations

ACS/PTO is expecting a \$7,500 donation sometime in August, which will not be ear-marked for usage

- Social Report

It was decided that each grade will be responsible for providing the goodies at the monthly Teacher's Breakfasts

The teachers will vote on the best breakfast/grade and distribute prizes

Sign up sheets for the breakfasts will be available at registration

- Enrichment Report

A cooking class was discussed as a possibility for the children of ACS in September

Play-Well technologies (Lego Pre-engineering class) was discussed as a possibility for September and/or April

Abrakadoodle (art class) was discussed as having 2 sessions with the tentative dates of : 10/7, 10/14, 10/28, 11/4, 11/11, 11/18 for the first session and 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/31, 4/7, 4/14 for the second session

Mad Science or Science Matters was discussed as a possibility for October-December with the tentative dates of 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24, 12/1, 12/8, 12/15

A 50's Dance Class was discussed as a possibility in January and February with the use of the Elementary Spanish Room

All programs to have online registration

All tentative dates and timelines for the enrichment classes were approved and will go into the PTO handbook

- Communications Report

No new information to report

- Teacher Representative Report

Elementary representative not present at meeting, no new information to report

Middle School representative reported that an email will go out to all teachers regarding money for scholarships

- Fundraising Report

The financial goal for the fundraising efforts for the 2009-2010 school year is \$40,000; which breaks down to \$70 per child or \$130 per family out of 580 students

It was decided to print a notice to parents of the financial breakdown per family/student of the fundraising goal to be handed out at registration and Back to School Night

The money will be allocated towards teacher needs and science curriculum

Friday, September 11th was discussed as a possible date to host a Movie Night

It was discussed to possibly host a Writing Curriculum Night or Saxon Math Night by the SAC in conjunction with the Math Night

Late October/Early November was discussed as the possible timeline for a Sally Foster catalog sale in conjunction with the 15th Anniversary Cookbook

February/March was discussed as the possible timeline for the 15th Anniversary Sock Hop and Ice Cream Social

May was discussed as the possible timeline for the Field Day, with concessions (sno-cones, cotton candy, etc) to be sold by the PTO

A talent show was discussed as a possibility as a fundraiser in the Spring with concessions to be sold along with the cookbook and hoodies

No Butter Braid fundraiser this year; but discussed possibility of a cinnamon roll fundraiser

LVF was discussed as a continuing/on going fundraiser

All fundraising ideas, dates and timelines were approved and will go into the PTO handbook

Direct Donations will still be accepted

- Dean's Report

New Teachers Hired: Stephanie Weeber-2nd grade, Teresa Young- 3rd grade, Leslie Heuman-Psychologist, Jennifer Dominguez-Special Ed. Assistant, Middle School Spanish Teacher-to be determined, Tina Villari is now Tina Cook as she was married this summer

- Dean's Report Cont'd

Summer Activities and Building Improvements: New gym floor installed (children must wear non-marking soled shoes while in PE), new phone system installed (which now allows paging to be done by grade levels), paint touched up, 2 new sheds for Art and PE, carpets were cleaned, tile floors to be cleaned and polished before school starts, some new bookshelves and tables have been purchased

Teachers to return to ACS the week of August 6-11

Master Calendar to be online

Registration is on August 3rd and 4th in the morning until Noon. The students will have their photos taken, pay registration fees and sign the Governing Board Contract

Ed Guns proposed the starting of a Dad's Club which would host a Daddy/Daughter ball and do small repairs around the school as needed

Important Reminders: August 3-4 Student Registration 9-12pm

August 5th New Family Orientation 6-7pm

August 6th Teachers return to ACS

August 12th Students return to ACS

August 18th Back to School Night Elementary 6-8pm

August 20th Back to School Night Middle School 6-8pm

August 21st Elementary Testing Day

- Governing Board Report

Next governing board meeting to be August 10th

It was discussed that ACS has 128 home schooled students

August 6th will be the New Teacher's Luncheon

It was decided that ACS can now close itself as needed related to weather

ACS will implement a new emergency emailing system for early releases and closures

New board members were introduced

- PTO meeting adjourned at 4:35pm. Next working session to be held on Thursday August 27th at 4:30pm. Next general meeting to be held on Wednesday September 23rd at 6:30pm for the budget meeting.