

PTO Meeting November 11, 2009

Present at Meeting

Name	Position
Shana Richter	President
Andrea Neeser	Vice-President
Dena Scott	Teacher/ Volunteer Coordinator
Ann Allen	Teacher representative
Dr. Bell	Principal

President's Report- Shana Richter- President

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Approved September meeting minutes.

II. Vice President/ Activities & Fundraising Coordinator Report- Andrea Neeser

1. Roaring Springs ticket sale fundraising discussed and approved.
2. Many offers and incentives are available to Collister Elementary
 - a. Discussed and rejected Santa Shop, Playground Matching Funds, and Gem State Night for December.
 - b. Discussed idea of PTO fundraiser of movie/pizza night for kids during December which would allow parents a kids' free shopping night. Most likely Friday, Dec. 11th. Typically the parents want a 3 hour window. 6-9 pm a little late for kids and teachers. More likely 5:30-8:30 pm.
 - c. Wahooz offered family Collister Family night, but Mon-Thurs option only. Teachers historically oppose activities that keep kids up late on school nights and then detract from academic tasks the next day. Rejected for that reason.

III. Treasurer's Report –Shana Richter on behalf of Carol Birt

1. Balance as of October 30, 2009 was \$12,003.43
 - a. Pending Income of \$377.50
 - b. Expenses \$1550.65
 - c. Balance after expenses \$10,452.78
 - d. Pending Expenses: \$1201.16
 - e. Adjusted balance \$9,629.12
2. Treasurer's report was accepted by the group.

IV. Principal's Report- Dr. Gerald Bell

1. Conferences went very well. His overall perception was that Collister has strong relationships between parents and teachers that fosters the best outcome for educating our children.
2. In line with District objectives, Collister staff is involved in PLC which is Professional Learning Communities. Through continued collaboration and teamwork, Collister students will continue to show great strides systems/processes will only get better.

- a. The Boise School District will concentrate on four areas of Instructional Leadership and Improvement this school year and each building will pick another area as set down by the WISE tool.
- 3. Thanksgiving is coming
 - a. Music Performance is Friday, Nov. 13th at 2:00 p.m.
 - b. To support rehearsals, Ms. Morrison had 6th graders “sing off” principal’s tie.

V. Teacher’s Report-Ann Allen

- 1. Most of Art Grant items have been purchased; we still need to purchase clay.
- 2. School Wish list to date includes a battery recharging station so we are not spending so much to buy batteries and much more Green. Mrs. Bisterfeldt offered to set up a charging station near radios. Also, need one radio battery replaced. \$150 per teacher really supported, again. Ms. Morrison would like to purchase 3 drums for \$500. Read Naturally library of 5.5, 6.0, and 6.5 on wish list. Dena Scott to determine if 1.0 and 1.5 contain stories or phonic skills and report back next month. Cost for all would be about \$1500. PTO would like to see if grant can be written to pay for ½ the cost through Capitol Educators.
- 3. Talked about needs for band teacher that included music stands, drum stand, bell stand. PTO directed Dena Scott to determine which, if any of those items, might be stored in our district warehouse and report back next meeting.

VI. Business Pending

- 1. Recurring expenses reviewed and approved the following:

description	cost
Art parent program- consumables	\$400
Assemblies	\$1200
BSD Volunteer Coordinator Fund	\$50
Counselor	\$100
End of Year Bar-b-q	\$130
Library- Book and AR Fund	\$500 + \$500 = \$1000
McCall	\$350
Music	\$100
Statesman	funded
Teacher Classroom Funds	\$2250
Total	\$6380

VII. New Business -

- 1. Dan Keidel, Reading Specialist, offered to donate his services for a PTO fundraiser teaching a Self-Defense class for adults (18+). Liability issues led the PTO to decide against participating.
- 2. Date for Pancake Breakfast set for Feb. 27th.
- 3. Shirt sales will be conducted in December in time for Christmas gift orders.
- 4. Shana will prepare a year end contribution to BEF letter to go home during December. We will review at next PTO meeting.

VIII. Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 9th, 2009 at 3:30 p.m.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned 4:45.