

Present

Melissa McGann, Kristen Jaudon, Nicole Jacobsen, Jeffie LaJoie, Rebecca Kinney, Courtney Welch, Christy Johnson, Jami Waite, Heather Kittlitz, Holly Wickenhagen

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:22 am by President Melissa McGann at Ovation Academy for the Arts in DuPont. Proper notice was give to all board members. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

No proposed corrections for the CCPTA Board of Director's Meeting Minutes for September 9, 2009; the Minutes were signed and filed for audit.

President's Report

- a. The president reminded everyone of the confidentiality of meetings
- b. The president congratulated all board members on the successful start of their programs.
- c. The president reviewed the General Membership meeting of September 16, to include the adoption of 2009-2010 goals and the election of the 2009-2010 Nominating Committee.
- d. The president attended a CC staff meeting at the end of September and offered a Challenge to Teachers to encourage them to develop extracurricular academic activities with CCPTA support in line with current goals. There was discussion regarding a geography activity and perhaps a math activity.
- e. The president communicated an offer from Pioneer Middle School to host a booth at their upcoming Monster Bash, but that opportunity was declined.
- f. The Fort Lewis Thrift Shop has requested grant submissions for specific activities/programs that improve the quality of education for military students, up to \$1,000.
- g. PTA and The Law will be offered on Oct 28, 6-9:30pm, and Oct. 31, 9am-12:30pm. The president and treasurer are recommended to attend, all board members are welcome.
- h. Newsletter article submissions are due to Jami the Friday following the board meetings.

Vice President's Report

- a. The Original Works program has been initiated, a packet from the representative is on the way to CCPTA. The Vice President is working with Mr. Gilliam to do a joint art/music project during Art Week. Artwork will be sent home with a catalog of product choices. This activity is classified as a mini-fundraiser/service, and will be pursued due to tremendous parent requests for it. The art classes are short, allowing for a quick lesson and project only. Art work will come home the week of October 19, with a week for parents to return orders in time for holiday delivery. Costs for this program include card stock and postage. The Vice President will coordinate.
- b. There are no board birthdays in October.
- c. The Vice President will coordinate for Reader Board announcements and PTA Monday speakers, referenced in the agenda.

Treasurer's Report

a. September Financials

The following documents were presented and reviewed: "September 2009 Reconciliation Summary", "Actual vs. Budget – September". (see attached)

i. Bank Balance on hand as of August 31, 2009 is \$20,109.76.

b. The CCPTA Charitable Solicitations renewal (501c3) was resubmitted following corrections on last year's submission.

Secretary's Report

No report

Committee Reports

Fall Fundraiser

a. Gross sales of \$14,788.50.

b. McGlothern and Sabado PM were very close for the top class, winning class will be announced on October 12.

c. CCPTA receives 45% profit, approximately \$6,000.

d. There has been no response from Costco regarding sponsoring an ice cream party for the winning class, the chair will pursue other sponsors, including Cold Stone Creamery.

Legislative

a. Kristi Grund attended Legislative Assembly, an informative event with lots of discussion on PTA issues. All amendments passed. Two WAPTA issues were rejected, while Music in Education was passed to become Issue 13 and Education for Highly Capable students was passed to Issue 14. There was a regional meeting as well with Tacoma area PTAs.

b. Focus Day will be held on Martin Luther King Day, and CCPTA has a goal of bringing 5 members to the event.

Membership

a. Currently 171 members, including family memberships. Most teachers have joined the CCPTA.

b. The winners of the membership drawing for Seahawks prizes will be announced on October 13.

c. The Membership chair has sent a letter to local businesses inviting them to join the PTA, be a prize donor, or sponsor the PTA through Leaf Your Mark. Some businesses will provide a discount to PTA members, and a sign or sticker for their window will be provided.

Newsletter

Submissions for the newsletter should be emailed in text format, in the body of an email, by the Friday following the CCPTA board meeting.

Public Relations/Publicity

- a. America's Credit Union and Farelli's have responded to publicity and have expressed interest in sponsoring the CCPTA in various ways.
- b. Wednesday envelope content must be to Christy by the Monday prior.
- c. Parents and members having difficulty receiving emails from Chloe Clark should confirm their email address with their teacher at conferences. Any corrections will be submitted to Mr. Yoho and to the district.

Volunteer

- a. Chloe Clark reported 520.5 volunteer hours for the month of September. Any hours not reported should be included in October hours.
- b. Volunteer of the month is Jamie Patton. Nominees and hours should be submitted to the Volunteer chair by the last day of the month.
- c. If any board member needs volunteers, please email the volunteer chair as soon as possible to allow maximum time for communication. Requestors should be specific with the amount of time required, and the job needed.

Staff Appreciation

Meals will be provided for teachers and staff during conference week.

Assemblies

Assemblies in progress are Peter and the Wolf (fall), Fort Lewis band (spring) and perhaps Mr. Science.

New Business

Nesting Boxes Mr. Bradshaw is working on a 3rd grade project to erect nesting boxes around the school and Home Course. Expected needs are kits at \$10/box for a total of around \$1200, and 10-50 volunteers. This project fits into the subject of Ecological Science, and will be pursued in the spring. Discussion was table pending sponsorship solicitation by the PR chair.

Old Business

Standing Rules Committee A committee will be formed to meet, discuss and recommend changes to the Standing Rules. Volunteers for the committee include Melissa McGann, Kristin Jaudon, Nicole Jacobsen, Rebecca Kinney, Heather Kittlitz, Christy Johnson. The committee is open to anyone interested.

Leaf Your Mark Discussion on whether/how to recognize Golden Acorn winners on the Leaf Your Mark tree did not result in any action. Any recommendations should be submitted to the Leaf Your Mark chair.

Newsletter Advertising vs. Articles The issue was raised regarding whether local businesses should be allowed to write articles for publication in the CCPTA newsletter vs. requiring ad space purchase. Discussion resulted in the policy that CCPTA gladly accepts articles from members regarding benefits of activities to our children, provided the article is written as a member, not a business representative.

Closing

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 am. The next board meeting will be on Wednesday, November 4, 6:30 pm at Chloe Clark. The next General Membership Meeting is April 15, 2010 at 6:30pm at Chloe Clark.