**Prospect Valley PTA**

**December 8, 2011**

**General PTA Business Meeting 3:00-4:15 pm**

1. Call Meeting to Order: **3:04**
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Reading and Approval of the Nov 2011 Minutes: motion made and passed
4. Reports of Officers

* Presidents’ Reports (Guy Nahmiach and Heidi Olivera)
  + 5K race was successful, next year it will be on Sunday, Oct. 14. Would like to increase participants by 100
  + Butter Braids was amazing
  + Hospitality hasn’t missed a beat – served lunch to teachers today and on Tuesday
  + CPK restaurant nights are coming back, monthly. They will be sponsoring our school
  + New online purchase program to start in January – funds will be used for Outdoor Lab. Will be an ongoing program.
  + Barnes and Noble night is this Monday.
  + Passed around snack list
* Treasurer’s Report (Heather Kennedy and Jillian Jacobs)
  + Total income for November was $5494.27
  + Total expense for November was $822.43
* Vice President/Principal’s Report (Mike Collins)
  + Staff development – occurred this week. Spent the day looking at math curriculum, speaking to other teachers, looking at gaps in curriculum, etc…
  + Thanks PTA for lunch – passed around Thank You card
  + Danny Bower got a promotion – Oberon Middle School. Interviewing after break for replacement.
  + 5th Grade went to Ameritown last week.
  + Kindergarten info night is tonight/Everett Middle School info night is tonight
  + Security (funding request $2500) - Some issues with doors - need to tighten up security. Going to install a key card lock on the library door so that kids can come in (during recess) to use the restroom. Will also activate the key card lock system on the back door between the school and the music room. Happening over Winter Break. Will discuss $ at our next meeting. No vote.
  + Passed around the suggested budget cut spreadsheet. Spreadsheet does not include any salary cuts. Need a state update – coming in January. Principles and Superintendent discussing giving principles control over what individual schools need.
  + Curriculum training (funding request $860) – need to pay for the Tuesday substitutes. District paid for the Thursday substitutes. **Motion made and passed.**

1. Technology Update (Michelle Johnson and Lenita Newby)
   * Newby: Jordyn Pollock and Davis Christensen (5th grade students) presented a Cyber-Bullying slideshow that they created with the help of Mrs. Holton.
   * Johnson: Teachers are using technology to enhance student engagement.
     + Online stopwatch
     + YouTube – Proper Nouns, fractions, make connections to stories, features of a short story
     + TeacherTube Videos – Division
2. Reports of Committees

* Barnes and Noble Night (Rachel Rohner and Kaylyn Wilson) – Monday 4:00-9:00. If you go before 4:00 be sure to let the cashier know the donation should go toward P.V. Qdoba night too. Mike Collins, Brenda Carlson, Jan Hutton, Graham Tharp are all reading to the kids. Chance to win a night out (babysitter included).
* Business Directory (Allison Kenney) – looking for ads. Slowly receiving ads. Will be extending deadline to after the holidays. Information is on the PTA website.
* Carnival (Alisha Neal and Donna Solomon):
  + Cake walk in pit (we will have to block those entrances and have a couple volunteers to watch); tables up on stage; balloon artist (or 2) next to photo booth in 6th grade area; and a couple extra games or spread out everything in the main area b/c the tables will be gone
  + Next week let’s focus on: making the map; deciding on games; calling to reserve Abby the balloon artist; calling to reserve A to Z rental (cotton candy/popcorn supplies); starting those spreadsheets for volunteers; decide on and email committee members; will try to go see the store for extra photo booth structures next week too
* Destination ImagiNation (Heidi Olivera): most teams are on track. Looking for a 3rd grade coach. Teams can only have up to 7 kids on it.
* ExCEL grade-level activities (Jennifer Yates): no report
* Family Support (Sonjia Onotrato and Michelle Carlock): no report
* Hospitality (Sonjia Onorato and Kim Route): provided lunches for the teachers this week. Offered coffee for the parents at Track and Field Day.
* Reading Challenge Week (Chelly Vitry): revising. Will just be one author visit for half a day (two assemblies) nothing else. Working on finding an author.
* Restaurant Fundraisers (Lisa McMullen): CPK and Qdoba. For Qdoba, every person ordering a meal needs a flyer to get the credit.
* Room Parents (Janene Martinsen): holiday parties are next Friday. All room parents are in the process of getting the parties together
* Silent Auction (Erin Perrin):
  + Poster contest: only three or four poster’s turned in. Extending deadline to Monday.
  + Donations are going well. Have received several big donations: Disneyland Tickets, American Girl, Home Depot, Parking Space at PV, etc…
* Spelling Bee (Rachelle Trujillo): The Spelling Bee will be open to ALL 4-6 grade students who wish to participate. Written: Wed, Jan 18th at 2:00. Oral: Jan. 26th at 3:00.
* Wish List (Heather Kennedy) – great response from teachers. Posted a lot of new apples on the tree.

V. Unfinished Business

* ROH (Backpack Books program) (funding request): Jan Hutton went to B&N and gave them a list of the desired book. There will be a table at B&N night. We will get a 20% discount and PTA will get credit at B&N night. Teachers are also accepting gently used books. Putting a box in the hallway – will accept donations through January 6th. Hoping to kick off program in February. Rebecca will try to get a list of 20 books from Hutton/Bartling.

VI. New Business

VII. Announcements

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| **December 12** | **Barnes and Noble and Qdoba Night (4:00-9:00 pm)** |
| **December 15** | **Gr 3 and 4 Musical (7:00 pm)** |
| **December 16** | **Aluminum recycling day** |
| **December 16** | **Classroom holiday parties** |
| **December 19-January 3** | **Winter Break** |
| **January 4** | **Students return to school** |
| **January 12** | **PTA Meeting (3:00-4:15 pm)** |
| **January 12** | **PIE Meeting (5:30-7:00 pm)** |
| **January 16** | **MLK Day -- No School** |
| **January 18** | **Written Spelling Bee (during school)** |
| **January 25** | **Early Release Day (12:15 pm)** |
| **January 26** | **Oral Spelling Bee (3:00 pm)** |

VIII. Adjournment: 4:35