

Lamping PTA General Meeting
June 9, 2010
1:30 p.m.

Attendance: Mr. Solomon, Jenn Blackhurst, Angela Kupiec, Jill Marker, Benita Ralston, Shay McLean, Renay Mirsky, Shawn Orluske, Michelle Wells, Lori English, Christie Young, Lisa Williams

Welcome and Announcements: Jenn B. thanked Stephanie Heiner for organizing the volunteers for the Book Fair. She thanked Renay Mirsky for the work she and everyone put into the Sock Hop. Jenn B. also thanked everyone who helped with Art Night.

Minutes: Minutes from May 19, 2010 were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Angela Kupiec reported that the Balance Sheet shows a balance of \$47,348.57 as of June 8. On the Profit and Loss Statement, income was mostly from Yearbook sales and Marquee. The expenses were from Sock Hop, Staff Appreciation for Track 2, JSPO t-shirts and the office supply expense was for the cost of the I-pod for the Music Program. Angela gave a check to Mr. Solomon to reimburse the school for the purchase of the I-pod for Ms. DeHart's Music Class to replace the old CD player she currently uses. PTA is still well within our budget and doing great. The audit will go in to Scott Fairchild on June 21st. Once books are submitted, no checks should/will be written, with that in mind please submit any receipts quickly. The books will then be turned over to the new Treasurer, Jody Samson after the July meeting and at that time she will be able to write any checks needed. A motion was made at 1:45 p.m. by Angela Kupiec to approve the additional funds needed for the overage by the Safety Committee for the JSPO t-shirts (seconded by Mr. Solomon). The vote was unanimous to approve. The t-shirts are in the teacher's storage locker in the office waiting for pick-up.

Report from Mr. Solomon: Mr. Solomon thanked everyone for an amazing Sock Hop. He acknowledged the number of individuals and the amount of effort that was involved in putting it together. He thanked Lori English for her work with the Yearbook. Mr. Solomon reported that sign-ups for next year's 5th Grade CIMI trip to Catalina will be available on the web and there are only 96 spaces available. The dates for the trip are October 8, 9, and 10. They are now looking at alternatives to using PayPal, who will charge approx. \$900 for the service. Mr. Solomon has given Jenn B. a fresh calendar so that PTA can start planning events without conflict and a master calendar can be posted at the beginning of the school year. He announced that there will be three teachers retiring: Larry Strannix, Mrs. Shumway the Librarian, and Mr. Krasn. A panel of teachers helped select the new ECS teacher, Kathleen Yonter. The position for Librarian will be posted online at CCSD and hopefully a selection will be made by Friday. Next year there will be two 4th grade classes in portables, everyone else will be in the building. There will be Audio Enhancement in all classes in the building; it is a system where teachers/students are able to project their voice throughout the class. A goal Mr. Solomon has for the new school year is to increase the number of Promethean Boards and Responders in the school, so he asked that as PTA looks to the future they consider this. Every classroom without Promethean Boards will have the Elmo camera and the projectors. The William McCool Science Center (WMSC) Foundation Board has some positions that will be rotating off. There will be 3 members rotating off (Mr. O'Dowd included); these may be filled at the next WMSC meeting. Eight portables will be removed from Lamping's campus leaving only four. This will allow two extra Basketball courts and more Tetherball poles to be added. The portable restrooms will remain on site (because of the cost incurred by CCSD to move them), but they will not be in service. A letter to parents was sent out with mandatory Standard Student Attire policy for next year. Currently under one of the regulations the use of Lamping's science shirts and other logo t-shirts will not be permitted next year. The cost incurred previously by Lamping parents in purchasing these shirts was pointed out and a discussion followed about the possible ways these shirts could be used. Mr. Solomon asked that ideas be shared with him. He also announced that the Accelerated Reader and Reading A-Z program have been paid for the next two years.

Staff Appreciation: Shay McLean reported that the June 7- 11th Staff Appreciation Week for Track 2 is done and that it went well.

Book Fair: Jenn B. reported that Mrs. Shumway indicated that the Book Fair was very successful and had gross sales of \$ 14,444.00. 25% of the proceeds from sales will come back to the school as cash, books or scholastic points. Stephanie is already working on updating the volunteer list in preparation for next year's Book Fair.

Sock Hop: Mr. Solomon reported that the Sock Hop had a net income of over \$ 20,000.00 and the major expenses were the stage and food (Fat Burger).

Art Night: It was reported that Art Night went well and there was a good turnout. Mrs. Chanos had 6 art activity tables and craft tables and they and the cookies were well received.

DARE Graduation: Shawn Orluske reported that the 5th grade Kickball Game will be held on Thursday, June 17th at 1:00-3:00 p.m. on the field. The Fire Department is expected at 1:30 p.m. or 1:45p.m. to spray the students down during the tournament. A reminder will be sent out and students will be asked to bring towels and the girls will be asked to wear a dark colored shirt. Some parents were asked to donate watermelons. Left over water and soda from the Sock Hop will be served. Speedee Mart will be donating the ice. The "Perfect 10" T-shirts for the 2010 class will be distributed to the 5th grade classes. Track 5's DARE Graduation is scheduled for Wednesday, July 7th at 1:30 p.m. in the MP room. Tracks 1-4's DARE Graduation will be on Wednesday, July 28th also at 1:30 p.m. Cookies donated by Jen Woodie and lemonade will be served after each ceremony by PTA. 5th Grade Promotion is scheduled for July 8th for Track 5 and August 3rd for Tracks 1-4. They will each begin at 9:30 a.m. Balloons with the stuffed elephant will be sold at the event, and an order form will be going out prior to the event for preorders.

Nominating Committee: Jill Marker is looking to fill her board for the 2010-2011 school year and asked for volunteers. She especially asked that anyone interested in chairing the Fall Fest contact her.

New Business:

Jenn Blackhurst reported that she (along with Wolff and Schorr) had received a request from the Deputy Superintendent on behalf of Wallin's PTA asking our PTA to consider helping Wallin establish their new PTA. No requirement, just an appeal for help. A discussion followed about school policy and PTA policy. Also, what type of donation or goodwill gesture would be appropriate, if any? Lori English made a motion to table the discussion until the next PTA meeting. Jill Marker seconded the motion. A vote was called for and it was unanimous in support of the motion. The expectation is that this would allow more time for consideration, more members will be present to vote, and further information can be obtained.

Upcoming Events:

6/17 5th Grade Kickball
7/7 DARE Graduation – Track 5
7/8 5th Grade Graduation – Track 5
7/14 PTA General Meeting, 1:30 p.m.
7/28 DARE Graduation – Tracks 1- 4
8/3 5th Grade Graduation – Tracks 1- 4

The meeting was adjourned at 2:38 p.m.