

## **West Woods Elementary**

### **PTSA General Meeting**

**February 19, 2015**

**Call to Order:** Kim Johnson President, called the general meeting of the West Woods Elementary PTSA to order at 6:34 pm. Mary Walker, Secretary, recorded the minutes.

#### **Attendance:**

14 PTSA members attended the meeting.

#### **Guest Speaker:**

Leah Roche from Outdoor Lab Foundation attended the meeting. Outdoor Lab has been part of Jefferson County for more than 58 years. The Outdoor Lab Foundation started in 2003 to support the Outdoor Lab. Only about half of the families that will be going to Outdoor Lab next year are using the King Soopers/Safeway cards. It takes the average family (4 family members) ten months to raise the Outdoor Lab fee by using the grocery store cards. Leah asked that we nominate someone from the school to work with Outdoor Lab.

#### **Principal's Report: Jason Smith**

Acuity testing has started. The PARCC testing starts next month. Testing dates will be posted on the school website.

#### **Secretary's Report: Mary Walker**

Jenn Berger moved to approve the January PTSA general meeting minutes and Kim Johnson seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **Treasurer's Report: Doug Hays**

Doug presented the bank statements for January. We currently have approximately \$19,000 in the operating account.

#### **President's Report: Kim Johnson**

The Read-a-Thon or "Pages with the Pack" will be held April 10<sup>th</sup> through April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Teasers have started on Wolf Tracks and through the morning news. We have prizes that are geared towards money raised as well as for minutes read. Doug Hayes has developed the website to support contributions. Doug's technical support on this project has saved an enormous amount of money. The registration will open after spring break. We have established school-wide goals, classroom goals and individual goals.

We need to determine what to do with the money generated from Pages with the Pack. It is proposed that \$4,000 will fund the second half of the computer lab, \$1,000 would go to replace WWE News equipment, 25% of profits (up to a maximum of \$5,000) will be granted to Allendale Elementary School, and the remainder of the profits will go to additional technology needs at the school. Lori Koman moved and Katie Meeks seconded the motion that the profits would be allocated as outlined. The motion was unanimously approved.

The 2015-2016 Nominating Committee is Kim Johnson, Jennifer Berger, and Mary Walker. We are working together to recruit new Executive Board Members and Committee Chairs for next year.

We are not going to pursue the playground matching grant. When it was investigated, the time was not available to respond thoroughly to the grant.

## **Committee Reports**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Cary Stiever**

Penny Harvest is in motion. There are eighteen kids participating from all grade levels within the school. Three non-profit organizations will be interviewed to receive the proceeds from Penny Harvest.

The Parenting Safe Children program will be held on 3/11/15. Currently there are 22 people registered for the class.

The legislative chair, Dayna Movain, reported on the current legislation within the county and state.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Jenn Berger**

The Missoula Children's Theatre went well this year. We need to vote on reserving the theatre for the 2015-2016 year. We have to pay a \$500 deposit to secure the show for next year. We have a chair and homes for the Directors to stay in for the 2015-2016 school year.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President –Erin Wulfhorst**

The Texas Roadhouse Spirit day will be held on 3/12/15.

The Box Top and Soup Label Collection wrapped up last week. There were plenty of volunteers available to count the contributions.

The golf tournament is coming up on 5/15/15. The committee chairs met last week. Everything is moving along well for the tournament. The target is 100 golfers. We are asking PTSA members to talk up the tournament in the community. Golfers do not need to be affiliated with the school in any way to play in the tournament.

Carnival will be held on 5/21/15. We are trying to find volunteers for the games that take place in the gym. There will be food trucks at Carnival rather than getting food through Fun Services.

There was an open floor discussion about enrichment programs.

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm. Next Executive Board Meeting – Monday 3/9 at 9:00 am; next General Meeting will be held on Thursday 3/19 at 6:30 pm.**