

Prairie Home & School Board Meeting
October 13, 2009
Teachers Lounge

FINAL VERSION

Attendees:

Kris Gericke	Matt Olejnik	Barb Ryan	Katy Paulson
Patty Curran	Molly Harris	Cheryl Huber	Bonnie Workman
Marcia Straub	Tracy Gray	Mary-Anne Porter	Tracy Cordeiro
Suzanne Gutknecht	Eileen Barry		

Meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

President's Report:

- Note with a donation for Home and School from the Hamman Family was circulated.
- To clarify, all mass e-mails should be sent to Kris Gericke and Mrs. Porter for approval. They will forward to Eileen Rico to be sent out. Eileen should not be receiving e-mail requests directly from committee chairs. Allow at least 24 hours for approval. E-mails are sent out each day at 4 p.m.
- Week at a Glance submissions should be sent to Noelle Tepas. The draft of the entire WAAG will be sent to Kris and Mrs. Porter for approval before being posted as a mass e-mail.
- Youngest and Only is up and running.

Vice President's Report

- Prairie Partners is up and running. 40 new people are being served.
- Basic white paper products for Home and School events will be purchased in bulk by Marcia Straub. Let Marcia know your needs. When a committee uses products, indicate on a sign out sheet on back of H & S closet door so Marcia will know when to replenish. This does not include class parties.

Treasurer's Report

- Current financial statement was presented for approval. Due to questions regarding the format of the new statement, approval tabled until November meeting.

Secretary's Report

- Motion to approve September minutes with revisions made by Katy Paulson and seconded by Tracy Gray.

Committee Reports

- Community: Jewel Shop and Share Days 10/26-10/28. Getting Jewel Gift Card from Manna will double the benefit to Prairie. Jason's Deli fundraiser all day on Nov. 11th. Just mention Prairie. Looking into a Buffalo Wild Wings fundraiser.

- Room Parents: Letters going out this week outlining party menus. Paper supplies for all the parties can be picked up on Oct. 22nd after school in the lobby. Store paper supplies at home, not the classroom. The Veteran's Day canteen is being taken over by the Room Parents Committee.
- Staff Gifts: Principal and Assistant Principal Day is this Friday, Oct. 16th.
- Science Fair: Science Fair workshop set for Nov. 18th. Science boards can be purchased at the workshop while supplies last. There will be no other opportunities to purchase boards. Science Fair will be Feb. 11th.
- Spirit Wear: Orders placed on Oct. 14th. There will be extra water bottles and knit hats for sale while supplies last.
- Parent Awareness: Red Ribbon Week is Oct. 19-23. Theme is "Paws"-itively Drug Free. Front bulletin board will be decorated with "Paws" decorated by each student.
- Marquee: Suzanne Gutknecht raised the question of how to prioritize multiple requests. It was decided that upcoming events should take priority. Thank yous and other things that aren't time sensitive can be saved for slow periods.
- Health and Safety: Food Drive coming up in November. Vision and Hearing Screening is November 2nd
- SFCP: SCARCE Assembly set for Nov. 24th. Staff meets with SCARCE on Nov. 18th. Then there will be a waste audit during a lunch period.
- LRC: Volunteers needed for FLIP, MOST and general LRC activities.
- Market Day: Pick-up on Oct. 15th. Exceeded sales from last Oct. November is Bonus Dessert Days when Prairie gets more money for each dessert sold. If every family purchased one dessert, we would reach our budget goal for the whole year. December is Bonus Cookie Dough month. Working on ways to encourage staff to use Market Day. Paper orders aren't due until the Monday before the sale, even though order form indicates otherwise.
- Wrapping Paper: \$9500 in sales. \$4750 goes to Prairie H&S. Looking for feedback about how Sally Foster compares to previous vendors and whether people have other ideas for fundraisers to replace this one. May do an electronic survey. Can order at sallyfoster.com through June 2010 and Prairie still benefits. Reminders will appear monthly in the Prairie Dog News. Delivery of wrapping paper set for Nov. 5 in the front hall from 2:30-6:30 p.m. Raffle is Nov. 8th.
- Directory: Directory is out. Made a profit with the sale of ads. Looking into a correction e-mail regarding one or two changes. There are extras for sale at the school store. If you have more copies than you need, feel free to return the extras.
- Yearbook: Theme to be determined. Cover contest for fifth graders will be introduced on Oct. 23rd. Fourth and fifth graders vote. Winner announced on Nov. 17th. There is online public upload option. Project number is 018951. Need picture takers for 3rd and 4th grade. Yearbooks go on sale at the end of Nov. through the first week of Dec.

Assistant Principal's Report

- National City was bought by PNC so there is a delay in getting Little Bank on the Prairie up and running. There will still be teller interviews and a field trip to the bank coming up.

Principal's Report

- Thanks for participation in Parent Teacher Conferences. They meshed well with the Book Fair. In March, conferences for 2nd through 5th grade will include students.
- The wish list is being gathered. Likely to be fewer but more expensive items since focus will be on technology.

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 15 - Market Day pick up
- Oct. 19-23 - Red Ribbon Week
- Oct. 20 - Grades 4 and 5 Parent/Child Book Club
- Oct. 30 - Halloween Parties and Parade
- Nov 2 - Vision and Hearing Screening
- Nov. 6 - Spirit Day
- Nov. 11 - Veteran's Day Celebration
- Nov. 13 - Movie Night in Gym

Motion to adjourn made by Marcia Straub and seconded by Cheryl Huber at 10:05 a.m.
Next meeting is November 10, 2009 at 7 p.m. in the LRC.