

**Pioneer School of the Arts PTA
Board Meeting
January 15, 2010**

Welcome: Tammy Ripley
Call to Order: 1:12 P.M.

I. Communications

- Tammy Ripley stated that emails no longer need to be sent for approval. However, fliers or any communications that will be sent home to parents still need to be approved by either Anne Madsen or Tammy Ripley.
- Staff and Teachers would prefer that PTA communications be sent in the form of email rather than hard copies.
- The monthly Board Meeting minutes will now be posted on the PTA Website.

II. Standing Rules

- Tammy Ripley reviewed the proposed changes to the Standing Rules
- The reviewed changes will be proposed at the General Membership Meeting on January 25th.

III. Treasurer Report

- Sheryl Bishop reviewed the monthly Treasurer Report.
- Major transactions for the month of December were Cookie Dough Receipts totaling \$11, 098.10 and Read-a-thon totaling \$7,698.60.
- Fundraising income as of January 15, 2010 is \$21,429.68. This balance does not reflect the Cookie Dough expenses which are \$6,800.
- Current account balance as January 15, 2010 is \$11,803.02.
- Sheryl Bishop spoke briefly on the grant process that will be put in place next year for teacher requests.

IV. Elections

- Tammy Ripley will post all open positions and job descriptions on the PTA bulletin board and they will also be available at the General Membership Meeting on January 25th.
- The proposed date for Elections will be April 14th, pending the General Membership's vote on the Standing Rule Amendments on January 25th.
- A nominating committee will be elected at the General Membership meeting on January 25th. The committee will include a minimum of one teacher.
- Randi Tietz volunteered to be on the Nominating Committee.
- Those interested in any open PTA positions should let the Nominating Committee know.

V. Committee Reports

- **New Committees** – Tammy Ripley announced that three new committees have been created: Advocacy, Communications and Finance
- **Art Fair** - Cindy Neibel stated that Nicky Hester and Kari Lucas will co-chair the Art Fair event on February 19th. The theme will be Mardi Gras. This will be a free event with age specific activities.
- **Advocacy** – Kathy Hancock and Val Tidwell attended the Joint School District No. 2 School Board Meeting on January 12th. Kathy suggested that the Pioneer PTA be present at each meeting with one Board member and a parent representative. The next meeting is scheduled on February 9th at 7:00 P.M. at Mountain View High School. A complete listing of meeting dates and times are located on the district website at www.MeridianSchools.org.

Those interested in attending a meeting can contact Kathy Hancock or Val Tidwell.

- **Beautification Project** - Tammy Ripley stated that we did not receive the grant from Lowe's to fund the school beautification project. Tammy Ripley and Anne Madsen will discuss the future of the project with Todd Phillips during their monthly meeting.
- **Spirit Shop** – T-Shirt sales will begin on February 22nd and end on April 8th. Volunteers will be needed to sign up for collection of orders and distribution of t-shirts.
- **Fundraising** – Randi Tietz stated that the company that supplies the cookie dough for our cookie dough fundraiser is offering an additional fundraiser to sell chocolate bunnies. The board voted against it but will consider the option next spring.
- **Calendar** –The following changes were made to the PTA calendar:
 - **Pumathon Begins April 12**
 - **Field Day June 11**
 - **Pumathon Award Assembly June 21**
 - **5th Grade Promotion June 23**

Adjourn: 2:52 pm

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