

Greywolf PTA 1.4.40

General Meeting Minutes

5-23-2012

Meeting called to order: by Darci Ulin at 7:00pm, staffs lounge at Greywolf.

In attendance: Darci Ulin, Lori Coleman, Mandy Gaskill and Jennifer Economy.

Darci Ulin appointed Lori Coleman to take minutes, Secretary Darcy Lamb was unable to attend.

Minutes-Minutes from April's meeting were unavailable to approve because of Darcy's absence. Minutes from April will be provided during the meeting in June for approval.

Website- Our website is currently down, Darcy Lamb is working very hard on getting us a suitable website up and running asap, we will shoot for July 1st as a deadline to have that accomplished.

Yearbooks-The yearbooks were delivered last week, unfortunately they were printed with very poor picture quality on the kid's individual school pictures. The company is re-printing them for us at no extra charge because this was their error. We're advising Andrea to double check with printing company that the order will be here in time for the last day of the school year for the Kindergarten classes, they get out a day ahead of the rest of the students and we want to try to hand them out before school lets out. There is a possibility that school will get out on the 14th for Kindergartners. The printing company has allowed us to keep the original order. We debated over how to best use up the surplus we have available to us since they are not 100% good quality. Options included, selling at a reduced fee and/or giving away to families who otherwise could not afford an annual for their child. No official idea was voted on.

Budget- Report on by Darci Ulin. Darcy Lamb, Daric Ulin and Lori Coleman met with Principal Hudson regarding the 2012-13 budget. Principal Hudson shared some ideas from the teachers "wish lists" that were submitted to her. Darcy Ulin brought up the idea of giving each teacher a set amount or each grade level a set amount to spend during the 2012-13 school year. Traditionally it has been \$100 per teacher and \$50 per specialist. If we decide to do this the teachers will have submit a request to be authorized by Principal Hudson and then by the PTA for their purchases. The PTA will still buy pencils, erasers, dry eraser pens. Jennifer Economy is going to e-mail Principal Hudson to help decide what line items on the budget are still necessary if we do go with the option to give each teacher a set amount to spend as they wish. Jennifer will also ask Principal Hudson for ideas on the best way to disperse funds to each teacher so that it will simplify the process for all involved. Jennifer will also get a committee together to finalize the budget for approval at the June meeting between now and then. Mandy Gaskill is researching a purchase order form to use for approving teacher purchases; she will get that form to Jennifer Economy or Darcy Lamb. It was also decided to move funds from the line item "Pacific Science Center" into the "misc" line item to cover expenses on the new Greywolf entrance signs.

Holiday Bazaar: Reported on by Mandy Gaskill. Last year's bazaar was a huge success! Every vendor wants to return this year and she even has a waiting list. Can we go bigger?? Extend into the hallways? She was also asking for input on how to handle vendors who want to leave the event early either on Saturday evening or when they sell out. We heard pros and cons of why this is difficult for Mandy and other vendors. She also mentioned that she is considering a deposit to insure that vendors will not try to leave during the event and if they do they cannot receive their deposit back. Also she mentioned hanging the Sunday hours because it is less busy. Some vendors want to be exclusive, Mandy feels this is unlikely to happen but open to suggestions. Mandy also mentioned a "spring Fling" event, likely to be just like the Bazaar just in the spring time. Many would also love to get a committee together to help her with the Bazaar. She had a few comments about the menu for the event, the food needs to be less spicy and easy for cleanup. Mandy will also revise set up times for a better flow. This year the Bazaar will be on November 17th and 18th. Tentative hours will be 9-4 on Saturday and 10-2 on Sunday.

Committees: It was mentioned by Mandy that we may consider trying to get a committee for each event that the PTA puts on. Lori will ask Tricia to send out an e-mail request for volunteers who may be interested in heading up and volunteering for some of these committees.

Book Fair: Mandy Gaskill mentioned putting together a presentation for the PTA through Usborne Books so that the PTA might consider using that company instead of Scholastic.

Campbell's Soup "Labels for Education" and Box Tops: Mandy Gaskill offered to take over managing these. Mandy will be in charge of advertising to the parents for collection of these items, collecting them and turning them into the companies for our reward redemptions. The rewards from these are used to purchase supplies for our Physical Education Program. THANK YOU Mandy Gaskill for your generous volunteer offer!!!

Family Fun Night: Michelle Nucci has generously offered to put together our raffle baskets. Thank you Michelle!! Darci is handling food for the event. Everything seems to be in order for the event.

Field Day: June 8th, we will hope to get some of the set up accomplished after Family Fun night for Field day. Mr. Hastings is still recruiting volunteers for field day.

PTA 2012-13 Goals: Try to get ALL Greywolf teachers to become members of the PTA! We're here to support them and would appreciate all of their help and input. We would like to have at least 1-2 teachers who are not board members attend our meetings, their voice is very important to us!!

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm