

PTO MEETING AND DESSERT POTLUCK AGENDA

JUNE 9, 2011

1. Welcome and co-presidents' remarks (Janice Weinberg)

-Last meeting of the school year.

-Thanks to Lori Pescatore and all of the volunteers on the spring fair and ice cream social.

-Thanks to Kristen Garrigus for organizing the 4th grade townwide concert-trying to find someone from another school to take this over.

- Tents needed for future Peirce events, as currently we are borrowing tents. Perhaps we could buy some for next year.

- Additional ELMO projectors needed. The town may buy one, so will put this item to purchase on hold. Ideal, would be to have one per grade level.

-Need for benches on the playground, particularly in the shade. We must talk to town, as part of the playground is on town property. Talk to Margy for bench catalog. PTO will bring it to a vote in the fall.

2. Principal's update (Karen Hartley)

-Override passed- so all teachers will be kept.

-Looking to extend lunch periods to 40 minutes (currently 30 minutes) as everyone feels rushed. Karen will look at the schedule over the summer.

-Field Day happening on Friday, June 17th.

-Class lists will be done in July.

-Advisory council parent positions have been filled. The advisory council has been working on a Peirce handbook that will be online and available for substitutes.

3. Votes on 2011 – 2012 PTO officers and budget

Officer's Nomination: President: Susan Goetcheus/Janice Weinberg

Treasurer: Lori Pescatore

Secretary: Andrea Canty/ Cindy ReVelle

Nominations were voted on and approved.

Budget (Lori Pescatore):

-Brought in 25,000\$, 22K spent so far (though more expenses still to come in this year)

Budget vote was approved.

4. Committee reports

- Science and Math Enrichment (Carl Elder)

Ben Franklin, science garden, bubbles, MOS, bottle rockets, creature teacher and two other events happened this past year. Programming came in under budget.

- Cultural Enrichment (Jocelyn Willett)

5th grade newspaper will begin next fall. Julie Hahnke was scheduled for two days this past year, but only used her for one. The saved money saved will be used for newspaper. Math and cultural enrichment will be combined next year and a calendar will be produced to share with teachers and principal.

Next year programming ideas include: Amelia Earhart, Troubadour program (unfortunately did not receive grant for this), African dance program (all school), Teepee person. A tool will be developed as a way for teachers to give feedback on programming.

- Library Enrichment (Jane Torregrossa)

All going well with library. Since Jane will not doing library recess, therefore not needing gym volunteers, would like library volunteers for next year.

- Hospitality (Lori Pescatore)

Tomorrow (Friday, June 10th), there will be a PTO volunteer celebration and honoring Ms. Jacoby.

Last day of school, there will be a celebration at the Reservoir. Popsicles will be given out the last day of school.

5th grade graduation coming up and 5th graders donating graduation banner.

Field day volunteers needed from 12-2 on Friday, June 17th.

- Fundraising (Sarah Forney)

Adding fundraising activity of a 50/50 raffle, will sell 200 tickets at 50\$ each, winner will get half and PTO will get half. Winner will be drawn at comedy night.

Pancake breakfast will happen after the walk-a-thon.

Family dance will happen in the fall with a DJ.

Krissie Delaney will take over box tops.

T shirts will be sold next year, design will be decided at later date.

Will do pie sales and Wilson Farm Day again. Additionally, may do a fundraising night at Not Your Average Joes.

- Community Outreach (Lori Pescatore for Jessica Callaghan)

Book collection is still going on for bookstore in Waltham.

Similar outreach projects will occur next year. May add Cradles to Crayons drive on a Saturday next year.