

Sol Feinstone Elementary School
PTO Meeting
September 11, 2007

Call to Order: Ellen Petri called the meeting to order at 9:17 a.m.

Executive Board Members in Attendance: Ellen Petri, Melissa Wilson, Mary Copperthwaite, Aileen McQuarrie, Kristin Meranda

Welcome: Ellen led the Pledge of Allegiance and introduced the Executive Board.

Principal's Report, Mrs. Pladsen:

Mrs. Pladsen announced that parents will be able to sign up for Parent/Teacher Conferences at Back to School Night. Also at Back to School Night, parents will be asked to provide contact information for Global Connect, the company the District has hired to provide automated phone services. In an effort to be ecologically sensitive, handouts and fliers will be posted on the school's website under "E-Friday Folder". Parents are encouraged to check the site regularly.

Nurse's Report, Dana Daniels:

All classrooms must be nut free. Chartwell's nutritional information is available on the school website. The walking track will be open soon. Height and weight measurements will be taken for all students. Vision and hearing screenings are conducted for select grades.

Secretary's Report, Kristin Meranda:

Kim Gibbons made a motion to pass the minutes from June 2007. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report, Mary Copperthwaite:

Mary reviewed the Treasurer's Report. The Welcome Back Picnic will be approximately \$100 over budget and School Spirit has already made over 50% of their budgeted income. Heather Lyon made a motion to approve the report. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Fall Festival – Melissa Wilson: Melissa discussed the upcoming Fall Festival which will be held on October 20th, rain date October 21st. The theme of the event is "Local Heroes" and there will be a band, games, inflatable rides, Kids Only Raffle, and food. If the Fall Festival is successful we won't need to hold a silent auction.

Landscaping – Karen Kownurko: The Landscaping Committee generally has one work day a month and all helpers are welcome. They will be discussing the Sol Feinstone sign at October's meeting.

Fundraising – Cari Grundman: Sally Foster Wrapping Paper sales have begun. Orders can be sent to school or placed on line. They hope to raise \$8000. Kids Stuff coupon books will be going home soon.

School Spirit – Clancy Strobel: The School Spirit Committee has sold items at all orientations and the Welcome Back Picnic. They will also be setting up a table at Back to School Nights. Order forms are available on the PTO website.

Market Day – Clancy Strobel: September's pick up day is September 17th and volunteers are needed to help sort merchandise.

Diversity –Craig Miller: The Diversity Committee is planning several events for the year including a Civil War Reenactor, a Holocaust Survivor and an assembly by Jambo Productions that teaches about cultures from around the world.

New Business

The PTO has a new website, WWW.SFEPTO.com. Kim Gibbons and Pam Malagiere are the sites webmasters. Please contact Ellen Petri if you have items you would like posted on the site. Most PTO forms are now available online. Committee Chairs should review their job descriptions on the website for accuracy.

Ellen Petri posed the question, "Should the Owl's Hoot go paperless?" Please let her know your thoughts.

Announcements

Ellen Petri announced that there are Committee Chair openings for Family Activities and Silent Auction.

PTO Membership Forms are due September 12th.

Volunteers are needed to provide food for PTO meetings.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:23.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Meranda
Secretary, Sol Feinstone PTO