LCM-PTO Meeting Thursday, March 15th, 2012

LCM Board Members Present:

Brenda Barnett, Co-President
Kerri Fox, Co-President
Dana Pustinger, VP of Fundraising
Meeghan Aimone, Co-Activities Director
Sandy Grugel, Treasurer
Kris Row, Recording Secretary
Diane Knowles, LPP Coordinator
Zoby Brown, LPP Coordinator

Others Present:

Jenny Carter, Principal
Julie Barbara, Asst. Principal
Alyssa Wells, Kim Klimas, Teacher's Representative
Cheri Bailey, Lauren Mitchell - Teachers

Diane Gaston, Lisa Molnar, Charity Soto, Robin Lynch, Kathleen Duffel – parent helpers

The meeting was called to order at 3:30.

Principal's Report – Jenny Carter

- A. Distinguished School Report
 - 1. Visit was a huge success. Three principals from around the county interviewed teachers, students, PTO and were impressed by many things including but not limited to our signature practice of teacher's collaboration time on successes/failures and follow through on both. Will overwhelmingly recommend LCM for approval.
- B. Priorities for surplus cash, keeping in mind that there may be more budget cuts.
 - 1. Set some aside for the future. (approx. \$20K)
 - 2. One-to-One Institute, utilizing the district grant for sets/carts of I Pads. (Approx. \$21.5K)
 - 3. Copier. Theresa Pasarnikar will investigate options. (Approx. \$10K)
 - 4. Kiln. (Approx. \$1.8K)
 - 5. Notebook cart. (Approx. \$15K)
 - 6. Use any funds needed to replace Gift Wrap fundraiser.
 - 7. Increase the music budget.

II. AP Report - Julie Barbara

- A. Gary DeBora, San Elijo Middle School Assistant Principal sent the PTO a copy of the PowerPoint presentation That he will make on Wednesday eve, March 28.
- B. The student council has decided on the following spirit days: Sports Day, Twin Day, and Western Day.

III. Teacher's Report – Alyssa Wells and Kim Klimas

- A. Alyssa reported back from the teachers: "Thank you for all the Teacher Treats!"
- B. Julie Breitbarth's husband commended the PTO on their part in the Distinguished School site visit.

IV. President's Report - Kerri Fox and Brenda Barnet

A. Gift of Time - came in \$1.5K over budget, raising \$5,543. This was \$4.00 more than last year.

B. PTO Positions

- 1. Open positions will open available positions to the community between the April/May meetings.
- 2. Bylaws
 - a. We need to take a look at the Bylaws and determine what changes we'd like to make, specifically to those voting in the Treasurer and Communications Secretary due to the nature of their roles.
 - b. Per Bylaws, we need to nominate and vote for our 2021-2013 PTO President/s in April.
- 3. Alumni Scholarship will be tabled this year and we will reconsider for next year.

V. Activities Report – Meeghan Aimone

- A. Movie Night
 - 1. We will show "Hop" as soon as it is dark enough on Friday evening, March 23rd.
 - 2. The company providing the screen will also provide and serve popcorn.
 - 3. We'll still need 2 volunteers to serve Palomar Pizza and hot dogs from 7-9.
- B. Innisbrook School Supplies Kim will provide information and sell in May. No minimum order.

VI. Fundraising – Dana Pustinger

- A. Dine-Outs
 - 1. March 27th Dine-Out is at Flippin' Pizza
 - 2. April 24th Dine-Out is at Off the Wall Dog
 - 3. McTeacher's Night made \$802.
- B. SpringFest Lisa Molnar
 - 1. Five breweries have signed up and more are considering.
 - 2. We discussed and agreed to charge \$30/person, \$50/couple. (Food cost is \$7.95/person.)
- C. Vendors on campus no decision was made as to how to filter interested vendor parties. We did talk about opening up opportunities at Back-to-School Night and maybe having a "Shop-o-Rama".
- D. Popsicle sales will start up again the Friday following Spring Break, April 20. June will continue to oversee.
- E. Dolphin Dash Kathleen Duffel
 - 1. Friday, March 16th.
 - 2. We need volunteers for check-in booth, giving out water and goodie bags and handing out stick.
- F. Padres reserved date is Replica Jersey Give Away. Dana has not yet received the tickets.
- G. Passive Fundraising Charity Soto
 - 1. EScrip Spreebird a program that runs like Groupon, they're offering 10% of every transaction plus \$1 per transaction.
 - 2. Menchies is celebrating their first full year in business. Mention LCM on April 21st, 1PM-7PM and they'll give us 50% back.
 - 3. GoodSearch payout is twice yearly.
- H. Leftover Gift Wrap will be donated to BookFair to sell or give away.
- I. Bulletin Boards Dana will gather/provide list of events for Diane Gaston for the bulletin boards. Diane proposed giving some events "Gold Status" on the board.

VII. Treasurer's Report – Sandy Grugel

A. RE: LPP. Session 3 made \$3.5K, over \$1.3K more than first two sessions. Also, we are consistently enrolling 25% of our student body.

VIII. Room Parent's Report - no report

IX. LPP Report - Diane Knowles and Zoby Brown

- A. Right of Refusal should we be giving our LPP vendors preferential treatment for other functions? We discussed potential pitfalls but no decision was made.
- B. After School Study Program
 - 1. Individual proposed a program to fill in education gap due to budgetary constraints.
 - 2. She wanted feedback on what we would most need/benefit from.
 - a. Academic deficiencies
 - b. Number of days/week
 - 3. Jenny has spoken to her and wants to see a more focused plan before moving forward.
 - 4. Parent, Robin Lynch suggested classes that are beneficial but not necessarily academic, i.e. Public Speaking.
- C. Session 4 early registration ends March 26th.

X. Miscellaneous

A. Brenda mentioned that Barbara Thompson asked for the board's support for a new kiln and help with distribution of artwork during the last week of April.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50.

The next meeting is Thursday, April 19th, 3:30PM.

ADDENDUM

The following votes on how to spend PTO profits were passed electronically.

- 1 1-1 | Pads \$21,500 unanimously passed
- 2 Copier @\$10,000 unanimously passed
 - 3 Kiln @\$18,000 unanimously passed
- 4 Net Book Cart \$15,000 one dissension Passed

April 19, 2012