

Robinson Middle School
PTO Minutes
September 15, 2009

The meeting was called to order by PTO President, Laurel Vogt, at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Tammy Hazelton, Eric Tolbert, Melissa Weikel, John Litfin, Kelly Greene, Miki Brown, Karla Hedquist, Holly Robertson, Laurel Vogt, Susan Rothschild, Deb Cisneros.

Treasurer's Report: Eric Tolbert reported a beginning balance of \$1091.21. String bags and t-shirts sold at enrollment brought in \$640.00. The fundraiser recently completed brought in \$6137.50, however, \$6270.00 was the amount turned in to the company. Eric reported difficulty getting the correct amounts of money from the students. Next year we need to stress neatness on the order forms and collecting the correct amount of money. The balance as of 9/15/09 was \$8068.70.

T-Shirt and String Bag Sales: Melissa Weikel reported on the string bag and t-shirt sales. The deadline was 9/15/09 for the first order. The money collected simply reimburses the PTO. We don't make much of a profit other than 50 cents a shirt. It was suggested that we hold another t-shirt/sweatshirt sale before Christmas.

Principal's Report: Tammy Hazelton, Principal, introduced John Litfin, our new vice-principal who was formerly at Jardine. She is excited because they share similar ideas about the school being student-centered. She reported that the district-level staff do a weekly walk-thru at each school. She has received a lot of positive feedback after each visit. Ms. Hazelton also said that due to new post office requirements it would cost the school three times as much to mail the newsletter. Therefore, students will take the newsletter home and it will also be posted on the school website. It was also suggested that parents could get the newsletter by e-mail by giving the school their e-mail address. Robinson is also collecting box tops. She also announced that Randy Davis is the new activity director.

Upcoming events were announced as follows:

Papa John's Pizza Night – September 18 (Robinson receives 15% of profit)

No School – September 21

Watch Dog Kickoff – September 24

Fundraiser Item Pick up – September 28

Family Fitness Fun Night – October 20

Share Fest – October 24

PTO meetings are usually the 1st or 2nd Monday of the month depending on other events in the schedule. The meetings are regularly at 6:30 p.m. It was mentioned that PTO serves a luncheon for teachers during conferences. This year the luncheon will be on Thursday, October 29.

Funding Requests: Janet McAdams, counselor, submitted a request for \$400 for Red Ribbon Week items. The items include ribbons, pins, pencils, dog tags, t-shirts, and other prizes to promote a drug-free lifestyle. The request was approved.

DCAC Report: Eric Tolbert reported that he is one of three representatives we are allowed from Robinson. Two more representatives are needed. He discussed the purpose of the DCAC (District Citizens Advisory Council), which is made up of parents, administrators, and community persons who advise the school board regarding policies. A free pass to all 501 events is given to all representatives. Anyone interested can speak to Ms. Hazelton or Eric Tolbert. Currently the DCAC is discussing how best to protect the district against the H1N1 virus.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m. All parents are encouraged to attend the next meeting which is October 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Holly Robertson
Secretary