

November 6, 2006 PTA Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

15 in attendance

Minutes taken from Oct. meeting voted in

Treasurer's Report

Balance to date \$26,913 in checking account. After all expenses paid out, Cherrydale, Sally Foster, etc. roughly \$13,000 will be left.

Updates and New Business

Fundraiser Updates

Sally Foster (Melinda Mullen) – brought in \$10,161.00 in sales of which we keep 50% of profits (approx. \$5080). Delivery day is Nov. 28. Tina can supply her with some names of volunteers to help distribute product.

Cherrydale (Tina Mah) – brought in \$9156.00 of which we keep 40% of the profits (approx. \$3660)

Fall Festival (Valarie Halfen) – big success, everyone had a great time. We netted \$3822.98 after all deductions. Valarie broke down everything based on a 25 cent ticket; Tag auction brought in \$1273 (Baskets – \$670, other donations \$610) Food Court brought in \$900, Games brought in approx. \$1500-\$1700 and Yo-Yo Sandy candy - \$155.

Sand Dollar Card (Valarie Halfen) - Brought in \$2110 - sold 211 cards @\$10 each, \$1330 profit. We paid \$780 up front for the cards.

Perkins Night – (Carol Hall) Brought in \$242

Entertainment Book (Ali Muthu) – order forms went out in the Maclarion. We found the boxes of books in the PTA mail room and in the cabin out back. Ali Muthu agreed to chair this position and will meet up with the representative from the E. Book, as well as watch for orders to come in. Wait for checks to clear before sending book orders home.

Box Tops – (Amy Marcheski) Said Kristine Thompson would still like to be responsible for sending these in. No report on dollars earned so far.

Campbell's Soup Labels – (Amy Marcheski) – 31000 points collected so far. Waiting to hear from Sheila through e-mail.

Directory (Amy Marcheski) – Finished, and off to printers.

Website (Dave Carlyle) – Website address is www.maclarypta.com. Dave suggested forming a Tech. Committee to meet with the website people and look into adding more features on the website. Suggestions on how to make it even better. Right now the website is free, but if we want to add more features it will be additional money. Dave is looking for ideas or thoughts about how to continue to improve the web site. A tech committee ideally would be 2 – 3 more people. He encourages everyone to get on the website, look around, and if there is something you would like to see on there, get in touch with

him. His contact information is under the officers section. Michelle Deebel suggested an opinion box. Brooke Kelly suggested selecting a teacher who helped with the websites in the past, as part of the Tech. Committee, possibly Kelly Baker.

Reflections (Michelle Deebel) - currently underway. Deadline for entries is Nov.28th. Entries are already coming in. Someone asked if the literature pieces needed to be on special paper or matting. Michelle said no. If anyone needs a full list of entry rules, contact Michelle. Otherwise, basic rules are listed on reflections flyer that went out. Michelle needs to get in touch with specials teachers to meet up with her for judging the 2nd week in December we will be switching with Wilson Elementary. Since Ms. Stevens will not be back in time for judging, Ms. Aikens will ask Ms. Gaines (interim Librarian) if she will help judge. Meet for approx. 1 hour after school for a week, literature judging takes the longest because you have to read each entry.

Ice Skating Party (Karen Moore) – Will check with ice rink on available times in Feb. and report back. It will hopefully be on a Saturday.

Potluck Dinner / Bingo Night (Karen Moore) – Will follow up with Carol Hall about time to do in conjunction with Book Fair, near the end of January.

Deirdra Aikens – “plugged” the Red Robin Family Fun Night Nov. 28, is similar to Perkins night, where a percent of sales will go toward benefiting Maclary. Coupons will be sent home closer to the event, which you take with you to the restaurant. They are hoping for a good turnout, despite the restaurant being somewhat out of the area.

Committee Openings

Assemblies – are in place for this year, however we need a chair to get things set for next year.

Movie Night – a few people had said they would look into some things last meeting. Dave Carlyle talked to Deerfield CC. They would donate the facilities to us but it would be a last minute thing (two weeks before the date). They will donate it only when they are sure it will not be rented out for that time. The Newark Cinema rents out their theater for \$185 up to 35 people, \$5 per person after that, on a Saturday or Sunday morning, movie would not be one currently showing in theaters, refreshments would not be included. This may be too expensive of an event to sponsor, since potentially way more than 35 people would show up. Any more ideas would be appreciated.

Needs

Brooke will check that all current members of the PTA are represented on the wall with the footballs. One person commented that their name was not up there. Tina Mah gave Brooke the name to check into.

Many teachers have reported being out of paper towels. Anyone interested in donating something to the school can bring in some paper towels.

Close of Business

Odyssey of the Mind Presentation