

LAGUNA PTO MINUTES FOR AUGUST 4, 2010

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Hillary Mackowski, Taria Smith, Amy Gregory, Paula Dameron, Jessica Zimmerman, Sandra Siegel, Kiera Allen, Lori Soble

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Lesley Mader, Christine Bonow, Karin Kilburg, Stacy Kosednar

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m.

A motion was made and July 22nd, 2010 meeting minutes were approved.

President's Report- Hillary Mackowski

Hillary shared news of the tragic plane crash involving the Crane family and subsequent death of Lori, mother of 3 and Shepherd of the Desert PTO president.

She reports Lynn Nelson will take the roll of community news contributor.

Staffing report: Both 1st and 4th grades are at or above approved student to teacher ratio. It was suggested that 1st grade should take priority for additional teachers.

Laguna parents have asked for square footage of classrooms to determine if fire codes are being violated. Hillary has acquired this information and it is available as needed.

Hillary suggested a 'gift' for each parent that attends PTO general meetings (first of five to be held September 3rd, 9:00 a.m. PTO room)...a \$3.00 voucher to join their child for lunch in the cafeteria.

Hillary mentioned we have a family in need, 2 new students (father passed away). Funds have been requested for school supplies.

Vice President's Report- Taria Smith

Taria reports extra PTO donation forms from last year will be used for Tour Day, August 6th, 2010.

She recommends NO special orders for Laguna T-shirts, we will only sell in stock T's.

All Board Members present signed up to volunteer in cafeteria during Tour Day.

Director of Communications Report- Amy Gregory

Amy requested feedback of PTO website (www.lagunapto.org).

She looks forward to acquiring Laguna family business sponsors for Directory (to be distributed first week in Oct).

Director of Hospitality Report- Jessica Zimmerman

Jessica plans to purchase \$50 Target gift cards for all 51 teachers using budgeted funds for teacher charitable contributions. Hillary will present gifts at Teacher's Retreat on August 5th.

Hillary requested a poster and flyers for "Boo Hoo Breakfast" at Tour Day. An event to encourage Kindergarten parents to leave their children in the capable hands of our teachers and join PTO members/ fellow K parents for donuts in the cafeteria on the first day of school.

Director of Academic Programs Report- Sandra Siegel

Sandra notified the Board of the need for Gifted funding, specifically \$180 for Math Olympiad.

She mentioned the \$400 budgeted for Music Discovery may be better utilized elsewhere. An afterschool Lego Club and Book of the Month Club were among the suggestions.

Hillary reports the Publishing Center Committee will be placed under Media Club, to be assisted by the Yearbook Committee.

Director of Sales Fundraising Report- Kiera Allen

Kiera suggested several new fundraising ideas for the school year; Shaved Ice Fridays w/ 20% profit, Barnes and Noble Book Fair w/principal story time, "Garage Sale" to coincide with SRP...Laguna families may donate items, rent school parking spaces for sales or post on EBay. Spirit Store and Gift Wrap were also discussed.

Kiera requested a Tour Day sign-up sheet for local family owned businesses to offer advertisement that will benefit our Laguna families and fundraising to benefit our school.

Sandra mentioned a PTO sponsored Movie Night on campus may be profitable.

Directors of Volunteer Resources Report- Stacy Kosednar/Lori Soble

Lori reports the need for a Cool Room Coordinator! (Hillary, Stacy and Lori will share this position for the first few weeks of school or until position is filled). All Board Members were asked to sign up to work Cool Room (302) several times 11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. August through October.

Dr. Root has requested parking lot attendants at drop off/pick up as well as bus loop monitors.

Lori designed a 'New Families' display and Lesley created a welcome letter for Tour Day. We will encourage parents to fill out volunteer sign up to be developed into a master spread sheet. Kindergarten sign ups (to include lunch monitors) will also be provided.

Director of Finances/Treasurer Report- Taria Smith for Lesley Mader

Lesley will update preliminary budget to include Accelerated Reader (AR).

Taria mentions this year, PTO is funding more aides for more work hours than last year.

Hillary voiced Dr. Root's concerns that the School District plans to cut off air conditioning for one hour/day, mid day due to budget cuts.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40. Minutes reported by Paula Dameron, PTO Secretary.

~A special Thank You to Amy Gregory for hosting our retreat and meeting!~

Tour Day: Friday, August 9, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. (set up 10:00 a.m.)

Next Meeting: September 2 , 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

*At the close of Tour Day, August 9th, the following Board Members assembled: Lesley Mader, Paula Dameron, Jessica Zimmerman, Karin Kilburg, Stacy Kosednar and Lori Soble. Also present Pam Welp. A motion was made and passed to grant Pam up to \$1,500 in funds to order new Laguna T-shirts, as the T's were sold out at Tour Day.