**PAMS PTA MINUTES**

**January 15, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by president, Janine Sarach, at 5:34.

**In Attendance:** Michelle Prendergast, Karen Strogylos, Melissa Fagan, Janine Sarach, Jennifer Crow, D. Alex Bergren, Barb Stebbins, Audra Patti, Kim Lanier,

Trisha Saunders

The minutes from December were reviewed. A motion was made to approve, it was seconded.

The Volunteer of the Month Award for January/February will be presented to Phil Freebus.

**Administration/Activities Report/Mr. Bergren:**

* Basketball ends Thursday for both boys and girls.
* Academic Challenge finishes this week – if we win, we will represent the Southern Division in the City Championships.
* Tryouts are coming up for wrestling and volleyball.
* We will also have Debate Team 3rd quarter.
* Open House was last Tuesday for rising 6th graders and there was a great turnout (approximately 500 people). Very positive feedback.
* Semester exams have been eliminated this year.
* Staff thought the holiday luncheon was great. Tracy and all the volunteers did a good job and it was much appreciated.
* Gearing up for 2nd semester and the February/March stretch coming up.
* We are responsible for the concessions next week at the basketball city championship to be held at Landstown Middle. Janine will touch base with Julee and make sure she is on board for this.

**PIE/Jen Crow:**

* There will be a spirit night at Pungo Pizza this Thursday, January 17, 2013 from 4 to 8:30 pm. They will also honor earlier orders from the staff during the day. The school gets 10% back which will go to the English Department this time.
* They are working with Seaboard Sports to get a date for cheerleaders’ breakfast.
* We will be receiving gift certificates from Jungle Golf, Tropical Smoothie and Coldstone for the 2nd nine weeks report card.
* Gift certificates from Seaboard Sports and Tropical Smoothie were donated to the Spelling Bee.
* There was discussion about spreading the word about the School Store, which is open every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday Morning. They have all types of school supplies, as well as some spirit wear. We will “link” it to our web site and face book. Mr. Bergren mentioned putting in on List Serve.
* The Sample Sale made $1032.00. The venders were very happy with the turn-out and are excited to come back on April 20th for our “Lend-A-Hand” event.
* On the topic of “Lend-A-Hand”, there was discussion about changing the recipient of the donations this year. We would like the organization we choose to be willing to set up a booth or table and have a “presence” at the event. We discussed taking proposals from organizations that might be interested.

**Rachel’s Challenge/Audra Patti:**

* Ms. Patti reported on the many activities going on with the club. The kids are coming up with great ideas.
* Currently working on letters to go to our Police Departments and Fire Departments and possibly including baked goods in addition.
* Congratulations to Ms. Patti, our “Teacher of the Year” recipient.

**Membership/Janine for Gerrold:**

* Membership numbers have not changed.
* Pep rally on the 15th. Mr. Bergren is willing to use this event as a final plea to make membership goal. He talked about doing a “Gangnam Style” dance (maybe with some other faculty members) to rally for membership goal. Our deadline is sometime in March.

**Treasurer’s Report/Barb:**

* There was a balance of $21, 412.16. Barb went over the expenses and deposits; the current balance is now $23,898.60.

**Volunteers:**

* Mr. Bergren is looking for nominations for Volunteer of the Year. February 1st is the deadline.

**Web Site/Janine for Donna:**

* Donna added the PTA Minutes and the Harris Teeter information. She would like to add the school calendar.

**Spirit Wear/Kim:**

* Looking for a way to link an order form with email.
* Mr. Bergren showed the Tervis tumbler he ordered for the staff. We talked about adding it to our spirit wear inventory, possibly with another color lid to help differentiate between them.

**Concessions:**

* Doing well – just deposited almost $400.00.

**Principals of American Citizenship/Melissa:**

* Chick-Fil-A is supposed to be printing some new certificates for the winners.

**New Business:**

* Janine for Stormie: Would like some ideas for getting the word out about Book Fair next time around.
* Trish: the next half day café is March 20th
* Be thinking about your intentions for PTA Board positions next year. Janine will bring list next month.

Our next meeting is February 12th. Meeting adjourned at 6:30.