**PAMS PTA MINUTES**

**MARCH 12, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by president, Janine Sarach, at 5:35 pm.

**In Attendance:** Michelle Prendergast, Tracey Mangus, Melissa Fagan, Bobbi Vinsand, Janine Sarach, D. Alex Bergren, Sheldon Layne, Kristin Sprauer, Terri Weaver, Barb Stebbins, Trisha Saunders

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

The Volunteer of the Month Award for March/April will be presented to Erin Hagge.

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

* Wrestling team lost last night to Brandon. The City Championship is Saturday.
* We are the District Volleyball Champs. The City Championship is Thursday.
* Debate Team had a very good season.
* Track, field hockey, baseball, softball, and forensics are the spring activities. Tryouts begin on Monday.
* Mrs. Jennings is back from maternity leave. She is our 6th grade assistant principal.
* The PTA can no longer do the “Half Day Cafe” due to loss of revenue for the cafeteria which is federally subsidized. We will, however, still be doing one the last week of school.

**PIE/Lend a Hand Event/Janine/Mr. Bergren:**

* Several of our partners will be participating in our Lend a Hand Community Day: Jake’s Smokehouse – supplying the food; Chick-Fil-A – selling sandwiches and donating a gift basket; Cold Stone – selling ice cream; Klar Voorhees – donating a gift basket and cake; VBSFCU – setting up a booth; Bon Secour in Motion – setting up a booth and donating a gift basket.
* Profits this year will be donated to Cerebral Palsy of Virginia and they will also have a booth.
* Sample Sale and Book Fair will be going on.
* Banners will be put up. (Michelle P. will take care of getting these made and donated.)
* La Salle Blanks from 13 News will be here.
* Bakers will be needed for Cake Walk and possibly bake sale.
* Need a volunteer to do a brochure for the event.

**Membership/Janine for Gerrold:**

* We obtained 100% membership! When inquiring with VA PTA if we could use PTA funds to pay for memberships for the 186 students on free and reduced lunch, we were told “yes” if it’s a donation. They came back after the fact and said *maybe* we should have names attached. We will let it ride.
* Mr. Bergren will now follow thru with the shaved head and blue panther! It was suggested he do this at the Lend a Hand Event.

**Treasurer’s Report/Barb:**

* We had a balance of $21,092.01. Barb went over Income from concessions ($849) and memberships ($785) totaling $1634, and expenses totaling $1396.25 leaving us with a balance of $21,329.76.

**Committee Updates:**

**Hospitality/Tracey:**

* The week of May 6-10 is Teacher Appreciation Week and we will look at Thursday, May 9th for the luncheon. Mr. Bergren will double check to make sure there are no conflicts.

**Volunteers/Bobbi:**

* The anti-bullying tee shirts will go on sale beginning tomorrow. We have volunteers helping with these pre-sales during lunches.
* The 6th graders are doing their annual Mystery Festival from April 8th thru the 20th. We will need lots of volunteers for this.

**Facebook/Melissa:**

* We have 163 “likes”.
* Pics and videos from pep rally were posted.
* It was suggest that the school’s media liaison be contacted for any “news” that may be of interest to the PTA and possibly posted to our page.

**Concessions:**

* Doing well – we made $500.00 last Thursday.
* Trisha Saunders and Kim Wells may take over concessions next year.

**Principals of American Citizenship/Melissa:**

* This month’s is completed. The overall winner is Delilah P. for honesty.

**Scholarship:**

* It’s listed on Scholarship Central. The PAMS PTA has four $500.00 scholarships.

**Talent Show:**

* Scheduled for April 19th at Kellam High School. Kim Melnick will be heading this up again. We will announce tryout dates as soon as we get that information.

**Old Business:**

* Passing around sign-up sheet with PTA positions for next year.
* Our first place Reflections winner in the photography category, Jordan V. also came is first place in district and city. She will be moving on to the state competition.

**New Business:**

* Mr. Bergren went over the school’s “wish list” as follows:

**1** – They would like to put a 51” Samsung Plasma TV on the wall in the library. This would be used for announcements, video streaming, closed circuit, putting out information, etc. Cost quoted includes the tilt mounting to be done by school plant. Amount is $1,418.02.

**2**- Orchestra needs music stands at a cost of $2,797.00.

**3**- Band needs musician’s chairs (currently using cafeteria chairs) at a cost of

 $7,140.00 for 140 chairs.

* PTA discussed making a contribution to pay for all three items. It would leave us with a balance of $9,974.00. Janine will look into the possibility of having the TV donated, but in the meantime, a motion was made to go ahead and contribute the money needed for all three items, motion was seconded and approved.

Our next meeting is April 9th. Meeting was adjourned at 6:30.