

PTSA Meeting Minutes May 19, 2014

Present: Deanna Louis, Kari Honer, Pam Moser, Tezra Menne, Jill Plonka. Students: Olivia Menne, Ryan Granger and Caden Moser

The meeting was called to order by President Deanna Louis.

The secretary's report was approved as written.

Treasurer's report: Current balance is \$5801.31. Yearbooks cost is \$1215 for 100. We give one to Ms. Durkin for her help with the cover contest and one to the Library. There will be a few extra for anyone who decides they would like one.

Old Business:

Thank yous: Mrs. Willis for Science fair snacks, Mrs. Willis & family for her father's memorial.

501(c)3 status: Kari will work on it this summer.

Semester Star program: Mrs. Moser handed out the certificates and checks at the May 16 awards banquet. The recipients were: Andreea Jewell, Kati Clary, James Oelke, Dustin King, Lynette Fieldhouse, Kiersten Honer, Logan Willis, and Jenna Pretsch.

Boxtops winner: Ms. Jensen's class brought in the most boxtops/labels/milk caps. They would like a fruit kabob/ice cream party instead of the pizza party. Jill and Tezra will meet at Deanna's house on Sunday, June 1 at 3 pm to put them together and Jill will take them in to school the next day.

The teacher breakfast went over very well and the teachers and staff were very appreciative. We were able to give leftover coffee and fruit to Mrs. Behrens' room for the band/choir judges for the large group contest day held at Ithaca. Thank you to Melissa Sprecher for donating the flowers and tablecloths!

Jill will email Robin Ziemke to see exactly what kind of furniture they are looking for for the library so we can check UW's SWAP website and possibly purchase something over the summer.

New Business:

Sandboxes purchase: Jill had contacted Andy Peters at Play Focused Solutions, LLC in Madison about quotes on two 8 ft x 8 ft x 8 inch high sandboxes (with covers) made from recycled materials. He sent a quote for \$1397.88 (with shipping from North Carolina). The purchase of the sandboxes was unanimously approved. Deanna will contact Andy for details and have the sandboxes shipped to her house for storage for the summer. When the construction is finished, Deanna's husband Doug offered to install the sandboxes on the playground. Pam mentioned that Randy Olson may be a contact for filling the boxes with sand.

Ithaca Bulldog T-shirts to sell at Homecoming: Deanna will find the design she had worked on a few months ago and contact the company for updated pricing. She will email to everyone.

Mrs. Moser thanked the PTSA for helping fund her MS rewards program. Ryan Granger also thanked the PTSA and mentioned that it was a really great program to help MS students become better people. Caden Moser also thanked the PTSA for the program.

We voted to fund the MS rewards program next school year as well.

Jill will contact Mrs. Crook to see if she would like funding for her PANTS program again.

The PTSA will also set aside \$200 to offset the cost of the end of the year MS roller skating party for next year.

It was discussed to have student representatives ask for monies for their organization a month ahead of time when they need it. They should give a brief presentation/hand out on why they need it, how much, how it will be used, etc. The PTSA will work on some simple guidelines for organizations petitioning for funds.

Fundraisers: Kari will look into the Papa Murphy's fundraiser. We are leaning towards having a Craft Fair next fall (coinciding with Weston's). Jill will contact Mary Hess to see if she would like to help with and/or organize this. We would need to get the word out ahead of time – this summer – in the Shopping News possibly and on free sites such as the mwt.net bulletin board.

Elections: Pam Moser was unanimously elected as the PTSA Vice President. Tezra will be going back to school this fall and will also be working full time so Jill will assume the duties of the Fundraising Coordinator. Tezra will get her the supplies and instructions over the summer. The length of officers' terms is two years so president and treasurer will be up for election next year (odd year) and VP, secretary and fundraising coordinator are elected in even years (or when a vacancy occurs).

The next meeting will be in August, date to be determined. Jill will email everyone when the date is set. **Thank you everybody for your support of the PTSA this year and we look forward to a very active and exciting 2014-15 school year!**