



PTO Meeting - Minutes October 8, 2008

Board Member Attendance - Sara Frisk, Kathy Bonitz, Lynn Roscoe and Tara Ford

Meeting called to order 7:00PM

1. Gifted and Talented students presented their Wax Museum projects. Each student chose a historic figure and wrote a presentation. They pretended they were wax figures until someone tapped their shoulder. They then went into their presentation. Students are selected after a series of tests and teacher recommendations. The Gift and Talented program is relatively new to Pennock but the districts program is getting great reviews statewide.
2. October meeting minutes were approved by Julie Ramsey and her husband.
3. Trick or Treat Street was a huge success. If anyone has any comments or suggestions, please let the PTO know.
4. Holiday Bazaar - Kathy will be having a committee meeting Tuesday, November 18th at her house. The Bazaar is Friday, December 5th from 6:30-8:30PM. There is still plenty of space to set up booths.
5. St. Baldricks - Pennock will be hosting a St. Baldricks event on Saturday, March 14, 2009. Please look for information in the near future to sign up or make a donation.
6. Teacher Requests - Val Ortega presented the 2008 teacher requests. The total requests were \$17,271.00. The board approved all requests at their board meeting held Monday, November 10th. Dennis Westphal motioned to approve the requests, Kristen Miller seconded. See attached for the detail requests.
7. Treasurer Report - The current balance is \$34,675.69. After funding the teacher requests, the balance will be \$17,404.69. This is still a very healthy balance to fund our future events and leave a balance of \$5,000.00 for the next school year.
8. Honorable Panther Writers of the Month - Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Ortega presented Dean Phillips and Arelly Ruedas Esparza from 2nd grade and Austin Ackerman from 5th grade with a Writer of the Month ribbon and letter. Mrs. Gardner runs the literacy program and is always amazed at the writings of Pennock students.
9. 4th Grade Students - 4th grade students presented examples of their story quilts, in which they had to read a historical fiction book and present an outline via quilt squares, demonstrated some of the science projects working with magnets and circuits and talked about their Ellis Island experience, where each student went through a mock process of the original process that our immigrants went through.
10. Outstanding Parent of the Month - Nicole Sanchez was chosen October's Parent of the Month. Congratulations!
11. Top Sellers and Hamster Rumble - PTO presented a plaque to Seth Smith for being the Top Seller of the whole school, as well as certificates to the Top Sellers of each Grade Level (Brynn Stang-Kindergarten, Carly Trostel-1st Grade, Seth Smith-2nd Grade, Christopher Disher-3rd Grade, Kaylee Teggart-4th Grade, Adam Klein-5th Grade). These students were invited to bring their Hamsters and partake in the Hamster Rumble, sponsored by Varsity Gold. Thank you to Darla Francies of Varsity Gold for hosting this for us!

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

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PTO Requests—November 2008

Grade Level	Description	Rationale	Total Request
Music Department Tyler Farr	Tourmaster Riser 6ftx18 in	Need risers to accommodate music classes and programs	\$875.00
Physical Education Joseph Jennings	Playground Cart Protective Pole Pads for volleyball system 12 (8-10 lb) Frozen Turkeys	To be used to store recess equipment. Has side access so equipment is accessible and safe for students all ages. Safety precaution to prevent student injuries. Student Turkey Trot	\$460.00 \$290.00 \$180.00 Total= \$930.00
5 th Grade	Denver Zoo Trip	Zoo research projects/reports	Admission cost of \$3.00 per student x 135 students = \$405.00 3 Busses (14.80 hrs. x 3= 177.60) + 2.73/mile (54miles) x 3 busses = 442.26 Total= \$1026.00 (figures rounded to nearest dollar)
3 rd Grade Team	USA and World Combo Maps	Support for map skills, geography, teaching tools, cultural and community reference	\$215.00 per unit x 6 Total= \$1380.00
Kindergarten	"Let's Find Out" Classroom Subscription	Comprehensive Age Appropriate	Total = \$630.00

		Reading program	
4th Grade Team	Listening Centers	Support Fluency, and HM reading	Total = \$440.00
1 st Grade Team	Math Manipulatives	To enhance math expression program	Total = \$1500.00
2 nd Grade Team	Challenge Readers Leveled	Advance reading levels for challenge levels	Total= \$990.00
School Wide Requests	Laminating Film CSAP Snacks/Pencils/Erasers Pride Breakfasts/Awards Veriquest Refills (blades, font CD, shapes CD, poster paper/ award maker refills)	(1500.00) (3000.00) (\$2000) (3000)	Total \$9500
Total Request			\$17271.00