

**PTC Meeting Minutes
Ogden Avenue School
May 4, 2011**

Attendance:

Dr. Cynthia Boudreau
Elizabeth Engels
Stephanie Beck
Christine Mannella
Kristin Scott

Jill Daniels
Heather Hart
Colleen Pochocki
Joanna Lilly
Laura Hannon

Laura Attebery
Teresa Fitzgerald
Mary Drew
Annette Henry

Call to Order

Jill Daniels called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Approval of Minutes of April 5, 2011 Meeting

The minutes of the April 5, 2011 meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Heather Hart, seconded by Jill Daniels, both of whom were present at the November 30 meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The budget is in very good shape as income was higher due to spring fundraisers and lower expenses. We are looking to add some expenditures to the budget:

- \$6350 to put a new structure in the play garden and finish off the area. Motion to approve made by Jill Daniels, seconded by Mary Drew. No Nays, one Abstention. Expenditure approved.
- \$8,500 to put new pavers along the front walkway and cross walk area to deal with the mud area. Joanna Lilly asked whether it would need maintenance. The pavers would be professionally installed so the maintenance should be low. It will be the PTC's responsibility to maintain it and we'll probably need to fill it in with sand. Jill Daniels made a motion to approve the expenditure, Christine Mannella seconded it. All were in favor and the expenditure was approved.
- We will put some urns with seasonal plantings by the front door. This is another maintenance issue each year. The newly created Horticulture Committee (Laura Attebery Chair, Heather Hart Co-Chair) will maintain them as well as the other garden areas. We are adding \$100 to the maintenance budget, giving it a total of \$350.

Principal announcements

The 6th graders purchased a very nice glass piece as gift to the school. It will be hung at the bottom of the north staircase just outside the MPR.

The 3rd grade is going to Drury Lane and the 6th graders will take their Tour of Park next week. On 5/16 there will be a parent information meeting for 5th grade parents regarding the trip to the Robert Crown Center. Park will hold a 6th grade parent night on 16th and 6th graders will hold their writers workshop on the 18th. The Chorus will be singing at Plymouth Place on the 19th. The Poetry Workshop for 4th grade is coming up.

The Student Service and Spirit Club will be holding their final "Mix it Up at Lunch" day. They encourage children to sit with new kids at lunch.

The Drama performance will be held in the gym on the 20th.

The 23rd is the 1776 assembly for 6th grade, and 5th grade will hold their D.A.R.E. graduation. Field days is coming up at end of month.

Dr. Boudreau would like to thank current PTC Executive Board and Chairpersons for all their efforts on behalf of the school and would like to welcome the new group coming in.

Staff appreciation has been amazing – people have really enjoyed it. There was something new to look forward to every day!

President's announcements

There is a District wide appreciation for teachers the day after the last day of school at Park. We need to supply some cookies. This event is held every year for retiring teachers and recognizing teachers for every 5 years of service.

Election of officers:

Laura Attebery, President
Christine Mannella, VP - Social
Joanna Lilly, VP - Fundraising
Stephanie Beck, Secretary
Jen Harding and Nikki Noonan, Red Sled

Jill Daniels made a motion to accept the slate. Mary Drew seconded the motion. All are in favor, no one against. The VP slot is not yet filled. When this position is filled, they will be sworn in at the first PTC meeting in the fall.

Nilofar Anderson is selling ad space in the directory to cover the cost of production. We are allowed to do this if we are getting what we feel is fair compensation. A question was asked about whether we have competition issues if some people don't get into the book. All ads will be first come / first served and we'll have a cut-off date for ads. We spent around \$500 on the directory last year. Selling the ads should make us break even. We will need to approve ads.

It was decided that we will keep dues the same amount, as the ad space will cover the directory.

VP Report

Laura Attebery reports that we still do not have a VP. She has a couple people she is pushing hard, but no one has committed yet.

Fundraising

Bulb Sale: Profit is about \$400 from paper order forms and perhaps another \$200 from online sales.

Kids Kreations order will be coming in tomorrow. Our order was delayed due to the storms in the south. Orders were straggling in up to 3 weeks after the due date. We will have a \$4,500 profit. Delivery will be made to the classrooms on Friday.

Red Sled: Nikki Noonan will handle the crafters and Jen Harding will handle volunteers. Cathy Phillips will handle set-up. There is a thought to do volunteer sign-ups for Red Sled at curriculum night. The goal is to get 4 parents per classroom to volunteer.

We are looking at Gemini Gymnastics perhaps for next year to replace Flying High. Kristin Schultz is trying to put this together. We would consider doing it in smaller groups such as by grade or by gender, etc.

Committees

Field Days

The Field Day chairs asked what their budget is. They will purchase pretzels and a little water. \$150 is their budget.

There are some class parties on the 27th that will conflict if we have the rain date. This year Field Day is being held at Memorial Park because neighbors around Stone Monroe complained.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjourn

Jill Daniels moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m., Laura Attebery seconded the motion.