

Olander PTO Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Date: October 3, 2006

1. Dispersing money from last year's Box Tops and Ink Cartridges
 - Funds from last year will be distributed as follows:
 - \$200 for Kindergarten
 - \$110 each for Health Tech/Counseling
 - This year's proceeds from Box Tops and Ink Cartridges will be dispersed at the end of the school year and will be split between Art and Music.

2. Verbal requests for Eco Week scholarship – how to process this

There was a general discussion regarding Eco Week scholarships and the fifth grade fundraiser. A fundraiser is usually done in the spring but not every student participates. Kelly will offer fifth graders the opportunity to have a table at International Night so that they can raise money. Brian suggested that Student Council take the lead on the fundraiser for Eco Week so that they can develop a funding source for students who need financial assistance to attend Eco Week.

\$720 of PTO funds was approved for the 2006 Eco Week scholarships.

3. Gold C update
 - 1400+ books were sold
 - Prizes have been ordered.
 - There will be Popsicles for all students after the Osprey assembly since they exceeded the sales goal.

4. Teacher requests
 - \$300 approved for the following music curriculum:
 - First Steps in Music: Vocal Development
 - First Steps in Music: Preschool and Beyond
 - Childhood Song Collection: 1st – 3rd Grades
 - \$370 - \$400 approved for 2nd Grade Raptor Program and field trip to the Environmental Learning Center
 - \$540 approved for the 5th Grade field trip to the Denver Museum of Nature & Science

There was also a general discussion on how Project Based Learning will increase the number of requests for grants from PTO. Olander teachers and staff are in the process of writing grants to defray the costs of Project Based Learning activities.

5. Book Fair
 - We are still waiting for the exact financial figures from the book fair.

6. Movie Night
 - The movie is Nanny McPhee and the date is October 13, at 7:00 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. in order to give people time to get their popcorn and seats.

7. International Night
 - International Night is Friday, November 10th
 - Kelly will focus on the silent auction and is looking for a coordinator for the food booths.
 - This event requires over 30 volunteers.

8. Phonemaster

- The system is set up and will be reviewed for its effectiveness after three months.
- Some parents are not getting the calls because of how their voice messaging systems are set up.
- Once a month, Olander families will receive a 30 second call. Families cannot opt out at this time.

9. Volunteer Update (# of returned surveys, how many have registered, etc.)

- It has been difficult to get volunteers.
- 17 out of 61 people have not registered online.
- 13-20 forms have been returned from the PTO packet. Bill will send out the volunteer form again in the Friday folder.
- A church has agreed to provide us with volunteers who have already been screened.

On a final note, Denise requested that everyone at the meeting bring one more person to the next PTO meeting. The PTO Board would like to increase attendance at these meetings so that there is more input from Olander families.

Next Meeting

- PTO meeting on Tuesday, November 7, 6:45 p.m. at school.

Respectfully submitted,
Eileen McCluskey Papile
October 6, 2006