

Cooke PTO Minutes

October 5, 2010

New Business:

Mr. Freer is looking for donations of seeds and geraniums for the greenhouse.

Kerri Ward offered to chair as volunteer coordinator. This position would assist in organizing volunteers for PTO needs.

Treasurer:

We currently have over \$27,477.

Mr. Freer requested reimbursement for science centers he has created. This was approved.

President's Report

The Family Work Day was wonderful. People came before 8 and stayed past 3:30. Nan Heim bought lunch.

1st Vice President

Family Day was very good and we hope to continue annually. There are ideas for new projects and murals. We are looking into a possible organization that would help paint murals. A parent in Mrs. Brummitt's class offered his help as an artist as well.

Clothing

All orders are in. The clothing sales are done for the year.

Cathy Colton has said that she will assist with clothing.

Fundraiser

Mr. Zs got a total order of 9,853.50. We are unsure of the percent that Cooke will receive. If people are available, help is needed for Mr. Z pick up on Tuesday, October 12th from 3-5.

Membership

It was discussed that a window cling would be nice to have instead of a sticker.

Pictures

Picture Day is October 14. Volunteers will be called to assist. We need to get parents information about purchasing memory books (available only in the Fall) and the availability of family orders.

Safety and Grounds

It was discussed that Family Work Day should not coincide with Homecoming.

Scouts

The Scouts had a recruitment night. They are selling popcorn.

Social

There was low parent turn-out at the tea. It was discussed that the flyer may have gone out too early and that the size should be increased to gain parent attention.

K-3

Mrs. Brummitt noted that they are very grateful for PTO support.

Mrs. Brummitt also passed along a request from Ms. Evenhouse that the PTO take care of the library when meeting in there.

4-5

It was discussed that a bulletin board is unused. Ideas were given to fill the space.

5th door outdoor education and space camp will be having fundraisers. The special Market Day pie order will be used as a fundraiser for them.

Specialist

There was discussion on having teachers donate part of their PTO funds to specialists who are not budgeted to receive funds.

It was noted that a baseball coach has extra equipment to donate to Cooke.

Principal

Ms. Heim asked about money for shipping Gift in Kind that we receive. It was noted that money is budgeted for this. We also hope to have volunteers to pick up some materials.

Cooke won an assembly from Waukegan Public Library. A storyteller came and Cooke received a trophy and students received bookmarks. Ms. Heim noted that it would be nice to have a new trophy case to be built by the scouts.

Julie Ahern entered Cooke PTO in a contest for Parent Group of the Year from PTO Today. Cooke PTO won honorable mention and has received a certificate of recognition.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15.