

Minutes for the ASMS Parent Club meeting on September 18, 2013

1. Meeting called to order at 5:30 w/Debbie Gjerde, VP
2. **Mr. Lange**, PE: Proposes looking into a BBQ fundraiser for the athletic department. New uniforms are needed for various teams. He has a good chunk of the money needed, but is requesting parent club help toward reaching his goal. (Goal = \$3500 needed, at least.) He is requesting: parents to chair various committees to organize, (3-4 months of organizing needed). Committees for: donations, teacher classroom baskets, food, planning, silent auction, game booths, etc. *He welcomes any suggestions, contact him!* Time: mid to late April or early May. Fundraiser in the past, has included hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, soda for purchase, but he is suggesting a meal could be offered also. Tri-tip/beans/bread/etc for a flat fee. Parent suggests checking with local vendors to get estimates on prices if they do the work, vs. all parent volunteer help/cook/clean/etc.
3. Mrs. Walker, Principal:
 - a. Reports that Back to School Night was very successful, "A great turnout!"
 - b. 8th grade trip to Washington is still on, retired teacher Mr. Ayala in charge.
 - c. Science Camp, looking like a good possibility this year.
 - d. Kaiser presentation "Nightmare on Puberty Street" was an excellent presentation given to all students. It is a free presentation, given every 3 years for all the students to watch.
 - e. Fire Drill: First one was on Tuesday, and was "a great success", everyone knows where to go.
 - f. Great Shake Out: Oct. 17th will be earthquake drills as well as evacuation drill practice.
 - g. Code Red drills will follow later in the month of October.
 - h. Fence: It is coming, probably towards the end of the year. Construction for new building is also still on, possibly next summer.
 - i. Talent Show: Encourages all students who would like to participate, to do so, it is a wonderful example of how talented our school is. Sign-ups Fri 20th/Mon 23rd, auditions Tues 24th/Wed 25th after school in MPR, rehearsals Thursday 9/26 (3-5pm) talent show on Friday 27th, 5:30-7:30pm. \$5.00 cover charge.
 - j. Dance: First dance is Friday, 20th. 3-5 pm. \$5.00 plus signed permission slip required at the door.
 - k. School Site Council: Looking for a person interested in being on the School Site Council. Meets from 3:15-4pm (Thursday, 9-19 first meeting)
 - l. Anti-Bullying campaign: The school is kicking off its anti-bullying campaign. Eventually they hope to have once a month class meetings on how to deal with bullying and teaching appropriate behavior.
 - m. Counselors need college career booklets, requesting funding help. \$389/8th grade booklets, or \$430/8th grade and "some" 7th graders.
 - n. Parent question: "How many students are on campus?" Mrs. Walker answer: I believe 862. Migrant students will be leaving in October, to lower that number.
 - o. "Call me or email me with any questions or concerns" Mrs. Walker
4. Debbie Gjerde: Motions for Sheila Zart as Treasurer of Home and School Club. Marian Wolf 2nds. 17 in attendance all approve. "Welcome Sheila, our new Treasurer!"
5. Upcoming fundraisers:
 - a. Box Tops...keep clipping and sending those in to the teachers. Go to www.boxtops4education.com and sign up! Shopping online is easy, no clipping required! A collection drive will be Oct. 16-23. Also send in "labels for education" found on soup cans, cracker packaging, and random food items. These can also be put into the Box Top envelopes in classrooms.
 - b. Tissue and hand sanitizer drive: Oct. 21-25th. Watch for signs!

- c. Holiday wreaths with Lynch Creek Farms. Check them out online:
www.lynchcreekwreaths.com/fundraiser
 - d. Papa Murphy's: 1st Monday of every month! Also watch for other participating restaurant fundraisers. Watch for signs!
6. Suggestion by Deanna Franklin to check with the Rotary for grants that are given out for educational purposes. They give out a lot of money!
 7. Also check your eScrip, Nob Hill, and other cards. Do you need to switch them to ASMS from the elementary you supported last year?
 8. 8th Grade Promotional Meeting: Oct. 2nd
 9. If you have any questions or concerns about energy efficiency, contact Cheryl Galloway at cheryl.galloway@gusd.k12.ca.us
 10. Cori Ghaffari gave a summary on Science Camp: April 7-11 (Spring Break)
 - a. Where: Mission Springs in Scotts Valley www.missionspringsoe.com
 - b. 6th & 7th graders this year.
 - c. 40 or more, parents attended the meeting on Tuesday, 9-17. 15 signed up the first night, checks are rolling in to reserve spots.
 - d. Minimum of 30 students needed, Maximum is 60.
 - e. After 60, a waiting list is formed, and once that list hits 80, they can then take up to 120 students total.
 - f. Oct. 4th is deadline for a non-refundable \$170.00 down payment.
 - g. Nov. 8th remaining amount due.
 - h. IF you pay in full by Oct. 4th, you move onto the "confirmed" list, and will bypass the waiting list, if there is one.
 - i. Forms are online, on the parent club & school loop sites, and in the office.
 - j. Payments can be made by sending into the office, or by Paypal (small fee included by using PayPal)
 - k. \$330/student. Includes transportation, chaperones, fingerprinting and background check of chaperones, food, lodging...in cabins! & education for the week.
 11. 6:15 pm Meeting adjourned