

6 May 2008

Minutes – Carriage Crest PTSA General Board Meeting

7:00 pm

Called to order 7:04 – H Knudson

**Approval of Minutes** – Hearing no corrections, the minutes for 4/1/08 stand approved as written.

**Financial Report** – L Thiel-Sloan

- Budget review 2008-09: Budgets were handed out; committee chairs should look it over and review for next moth.
- 6th-Grade Fundraising end-balance is ~\$5400
- WASL snacks will have another bill to add (in hospitality)
- RAD Reading is complete until the pizza party
- Approval of the report will be postponed until next month due to a calculation error that the treasurer is trying to find in order to correct.

**President's Report** – H Knudson

- Smooth Transition
  - Open positions – Publicity, Volunteer Coordinator, After-School programs, Award/Volunteer recognition, Clothing bank, Dances, Family Fun night, Fall & Spring Fundraiser, Reflections (co), Safety, Silent auction/baskets/procurement, Skate Parties, Soup Labels/Box Tops
  - 6/3 Board meeting will be BBQ & meeting 6:30 at Julie A's house. Please turn in notebooks.
  - General Meeting will be either morning of 6/3 or afternoon of 6/5.
  - We will post Co-VP Fundraising as an open position.
- Administration
  - Convention overview: We earned a Silver Honor Unit award & a Gold in Standards of Excellence
  - We want to try & reduce paper next year – communications meeting next Tues (13<sup>th</sup>), 6:30 – 7 or 7:30 to discuss a “yelper” weekly sheet to combine announcements.
  - We can use the Kent SD Print Shop to print the newsletter for only \$35! Great news.
  - Highlights from convention:
    - Jill Y - “Burn-out Free fundraising” - Many cool ideas including “pass-the-hat” (just requesting donations instead of selling things) or sending letters out to attendees.
    - Julie H -
      - “Outreach / Diversity”: Ideas for reaching out to groups within our school that may not be involved already – ELL or Special Needs kids; maybe plan a multi-cultural night. One idea was to implement a something like a book club for the entire school. One book choice for entire school, with help in evenings for kids who may not have help at home. At the end there would be a movie night to show the movie of the book.
      - “Education Funding” - Lots there about levys and bonds, and helping them pass. There is interest in possibly getting the presentation shown to a larger community audience.
    - Heidi D
      - Watch D.O.G.S – Great program for getting Dads in the school on a regular basis, hopefully 2-3 times a week at least. (Dads of Great Students)
      - Transportation for a Better World – Promote walking and biking to school, to get kids to get more moderate exercise. 1<sup>st</sup> Wed in October is International Walk to School Day. It would be great to try & participate.
    - Lisa T - “Engaging volunteers” – call your volunteers as soon as they sign up; don't

wait for your even to start. Makes them feel more appreciated & involved. Great idea – a volunteer board. Teachers can put jobs that need to be done up on the board, or it can be for thanking people who have done things in the school.

### **Principal's Report – S Wick**

- Statewide earthquake drill was Monday 5/5
- Staff evaluations going on right now.
- Placement forms for children are due on Friday, 5/9. They are needed no later than 5/15 for the beginning of the placement process. Collaboration meetings will happen at the end of May, beginning on 5/20.
- Full-day kindergarten is full, a proposal has been sent to admin requesting a second full-day class, providing room for the other 17 on the wait-list & about 5 slots for kids from other schools.
- Fire drill coming up 5/21.
- 5/21 afternoon is Band & Orchestra concert, 1:30 & 7 pm
- Percussion & Choir concert is rescheduled to 6/11. 1:30 & 7 pm
- Lots of field trips coming up this month – K, 1, 2, 5
- Math fish bowls will be on the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 3/4<sup>th</sup> grade program will be June 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Safety Patrol – J Goranson**

- Someone is needed to do safety patrol next year. Training is provided. 8/12, 10-4 in Olympia

### **Teacher's Report – S Fish**

- Widening the volunteer pool – ideas are welcome for attracting other people.
- "Fund a need" idea: list a specific need for people to donate money for?
- Summer literacy ideas – postcards or family book clubs
- Barnes & Noble Book Fair – school reserves a night, & a % of money spent that night goes directly to the school.
- Will try to send some good math links in the last newsletter.

### **Board Member Reports**

**Programs** – Nothing to report.

**Membership** – Current membership total is now over 380. Ice cream social this summer should be 8/27. We won't be able to get into the building until approx. 8/25, due to construction.

**Fundraising** – WAT is 5/16. Prize sheet going home on Thurs. Walking is last hour of the day, approx. 1:15 – 2:15. Silent auctions – sent home envelopes last week to collect donations.;

**Newsletter** – Thursday is the deadline. Copy items to Scott A

**Legislative** – Nothing to report.

### **Committee Reports**

**RAD Reading** (J Larson) – Sent out certificates to Print Shop; will be sending the invitations also.

**Family Fun Night** (L Dabelstein) – trying to pre-order tickets, information going home requesting volunteers. Time scheduled as 6-9 pm, plus time to break things down.

**Math Mania** (L Thiel-Sloan) – packets going home this week (hopefully). Pick a day to do drawings for certificates.

**Field Day** (N Bonham) – Needs volunteers by 5/15 or cannot do field day. Can we find some money for snacks?

**DVD** (L DeSmith) – Some responses back for both WAT & Field Day. Notices went out last week. Half-sheet reminder going home this week. Letters went to teachers w/ both dates as well.

**Box Tops** (C Duppenhaler) total 7,358 box tops for \$735 dollars! Last deadline 6/1.

**Emergency Prep** (R Long) – Food will be coming soon, so we need to clear out the boxes in the container.

Meeting adjourned 8:47 pm