

AA Cole PTO Meeting
June 10, 2008
4:00 p.m.

Meeting called to order at 4:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting agenda and attendance sheet distributed

May Minutes: Motion to waive the reading of the minutes made by Christal Lovell second by Janet Boughton. All approved to waive the reading of the May Minutes.

Treasurers Report: Report distributed by Kirstin King and discussed.

PTO Officers 2008-2009: Introductions made:
Roxanne Baumbach and Kim Fabianek - Co-Presidents
Kelly Nugent – Vice President
Kirstin King – Treasurer
Sue Emmons – Corresponding Secretary
Sherri Strong – Recording Secretary

Fundraisers for 2008-2009: The first fundraiser in the fall will be bulbs and candles. A spaghetti dinner fundraiser was discussed as well as making and selling pizzas. Additional ideas are welcome and can be brought up at the first meeting next school year.

A discussion was held about what to spend the money on that the school raised this year. Several ideas were presented: a new sign for in front of the school, basketball hoops, new playground and updating the technology in our school.

Kelly Nugent and Brent Bowden brought up the topic of installing several Smart Classrooms. A Smart Classroom consists of a smartboard, an elmo camera, projector, blue tooth and software. The smartboard allows the teachers and students to interact with the board (which is similar to a giant white dry erase board). The equipment works in conjunction with a computer in the classroom. The total cost of a Smart Classroom is approximately \$2,515.00. After further discussion a motion was made to purchase three Smart Classrooms (spending up to \$9,000.00) with the motion being made by Christal Lovell and second by Ed Lueck and Janet Boughton. Motion approved by all.

Placement of the two smart classrooms will be determined by Mr. Bowden. The third smart classroom will be placed in the computer lab.

Mr. Bowden advised that our school is next in line for technology referendum funds. If the budget and referendum pass for the school year 2009-2010, we will be in a position to update our technology. Discussions were held about adding more smart classrooms (with the idea that all of our classrooms will eventually be smart classrooms) and Fiddlehead Technology, which is a computer which runs five stations at once. This technology eliminates the need for a CPU at each station.

Library News: Kelly Nugent will be using part of the library fund to purchase a smartboard, floor stand, software and blue tooth. She will be getting an elmo on loan and currently has the projector in the library. Motion to allow Ms. Nugent to spend approximately \$2,000.00 to place the Smart Class Room equipment in the library. Motion by Kirstin King. Second by Rochelle Davis/Janet Boughton. All in favor.

Family Fun Night: A great time was had by all at Family Fun Night. Thank you to all the teachers for putting together a fun evening for all. The book fair was a huge success at Family Fun Night.

Year Book: The yearbook committee chairs met with Interstate Studios last week. The PTO has chosen this company for our school photos and yearbooks for the next school year.

Teacher Requests: None at this time.

Principal News: Kathy Kelly has volunteered to continue on Site Team for the next school year. Site Team is also looking for an additional Community Representative. Site Team meets on the first Thursday of each month.

Due to the budget and the loss of teaching positions in our district, staff is currently being shifted around across the district. As we do not know who all of our teachers are for next year, there will be no Moving Up Day. Also the report cards will not list your child's teacher. Notices will be mailed to parents in August advising them of their child's teacher. The classes are currently being planned and teachers will be assigned as soon as all staff are set.

Committee Signups for next school year will be posted at the September 2008 PTO meeting.

The yearend lunch for the staff will be held on June 20, 2008 from 11:10 through 12:30. Rain date for the luncheon is June 19, 2008.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherri Strong
Recording Secretary