

**PTO Meeting Minutes:
Monday, December 1, 2008 Pawnee**

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Brian McGann.

Those in attendance were: Brian McGann, Kristie DeBrun, Melanie Raleigh, Ruth French, Angie Ramsey, Cheri Harden, Linda Cline, Michelle Landrey, Kim Kliment, Nikki Schleicher, Shelley Sitze, Pamela Tomso, Lonnie Phares, Ashley Thompson and Bobbi Chevalier.

Motion made to approve the Nov. meeting minutes. Motion made by Kristie DeBrun. Seconded by Pam Tomso. Motion approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report was given by Kristie DeBrun.

GRANT REQUEST (Mrs. Cline)

5th Grade Teacher Mrs. Behrent and 6th Grade Teacher Mrs. VanDeVenter submitted a letter requesting to purchase Lincoln: A Photobiography by Russell Freedman, a non-fiction book for each student in these grades. 2009 will celebrate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln and this book will help students learn to read non-fiction material as well as practicing other skills. They have applied for a credit union grant that would reimburse the cost to the PTO. Motion made by Melanie Raleigh. Seconded by Ruth French. Motion approved.

GAMES

Games are needed for the room in the basement that is used for recess in inclement weather. There is a TV to watch movies but many of the games have pieces missing. \$100 - \$150 worth of games to be donated. Motion made by Brian McGann. Seconded by Kristie DeBrun. Motion approved.

PRINTERS

It is more practical to have a printer in each room rather than to disturb the class by having to leave the room to pick up printed material. Help with Market Day was provided. Request for one printer for Debbie Copp. Research to ensure the same quality and compatibility with other printers already in use. Ink Cartridges are not needed at this time. Motion made by Melanie Raleigh. Seconded by Kristie DeBrun. Motion approved.

MARKET DAY (Mrs. Cline)

The program earned \$200 for December. Pre-k will help with delivery in January and Jr. High in February. The earlier delivery time of 4:15 pm is much better than the 5:15 pm.

SCRIP (Mrs. Sitze)

The scrip program has earned \$161.51 profit for this month. A very good month. Texas Roadhouse gift cards are now available. Decatur has one and Springfield should be opening one soon. Shop N Save is the only grocery store gift card available at this time. Scrips will be on sale with the Wii raffle at Secret Santa on Dec. 6.

SANTA'S SECRET SHOP – DECEMBER 6

The food has been ordered for breakfast with Santa. Santa will have suckers to pass out. Santa donates his fee to breast cancer in honor of his wife. 19 to 21 vendors will set up for the event, they will donate 10% of their profits to the PTO. Set up at 8 am. Crafts ordered and 3 volunteer students will help in this room. Pre-K will not be able to hold a bake sale. Will approach the Band or After-Prom committee to see if they would like to hold a bake sale.

Wii BUNDLE PACK RAFFLE

Goal of \$500 in raffle ticket sales will be reached. The bundle of additional games and controllers is boosting sales. The winner will be announced on December 9th at the Elementary Christmas Program.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PAWNEE CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Tree lighting on the square, parade and Christmas tree auction with ornaments made by elementary students
Friday, December 5 5:00 pm

SANTA'S SECRET SHOP Saturday, December 6 9 am to 1 pm

ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM Tuesday, December 9 6:30 pm

BAND AND CHORUS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Monday, December 15

7 pm

MOVIE NIGHTS

Friday, January 23 for Kindergarten through 3rd Grade

Friday, January 30 for 4th grade through 6th grade

ART NIGHT

The chairs and clay pots are ready to be decorated

FAMILY FUN RUN/WALK in honor of MRS. CLARKE'S RETIREMENT THIS YEAR

A date in May needs to be picked and a committee will be set up

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

The PTO will sponsor a "Meet the Candidates" event.

PTO POSITIONS

The PTO Vice President position is still open. Trent Phares was suggested but as he was not present it was not voted on. The PTO needs parents with younger students to phase-in/take over positions such as Fundraising and decorating the bulletin boards and become involved with the PTO.

CLUB'S CHOICE FUNDRAISER

Almost complete with \$13,000 for core budget of next school year. Almost the entire product has been delivered and almost all the money has been collected. All the prize events were enjoyed by the students.

SAFE ROADS TO SCHOOL PROJECT (Michelle Landrey)

This project focuses on the safety of students biking and walking to school. It will require collaboration between the school, the Village of Pawnee, and IDOT. The Project will eventually touch on many aspects such as implementing safety education and programs such as walking buses and biking trains/rodeos. It may provide, upgrade and/or maintain sidewalks, bike paths, signs and cross walks on trunk routes to the school such as Carroll Street, K Layne, 4th and 7th Street, Harrison, Doc Norris and Sherman Street. Applying for grants by December 15 and would like a letter of support for the program signed by PTO Officers. This was agreed to by the PTO Officers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm by Brian McGann.