Petrova Parents’ Club

Elementary School Library, 7pm

September 9, 2013

Attendance: Sara Shatraw, Lisa Tuggle, Bob Laba, Tracy Goetz, Darla Martin, Polly Kelting, Becky LaDue, Jenn Small, Kara Warner, Chad McCarthy, Andy Walkow, Carrie Bradley, Meehan Bourgeois, Marcie Dann, Jen Yousey, Andy Keal, Jennifer Duffy

Introductions: attendees introduced themselves. The President outlined the mission and general procedures of the club.

Budget Review-Bob Laba

*Main Income:*

* Holiday raffle
* Winter carnival

*Main Expenditures:*

* Reimbursement of district for afterschool coordinator for programming
* Minigrants disbursed Oct and Jan
* Rotary club fee is shared by the school library-now only $25/yr

Fundraising Goals:

* Specific goals are to be discussed next meeting
* There is an opportunity to partner with the village-or some other group-to purchase a popcorn machine.
* There is now a playground committee and a technology committee to pursue possible new ways PPC can help Petrova .
* A member had a conversation about technology at HS. The technology team at the HS feel that laptops are a better investment than tablets because of the limited functionality of tablets.
* Thank you to Nori’s for their Second Sunday donation of $280 to PPC.

Other Fundraising Ideas and Info:

* At Hanneford when you buy 4 specially marked products the school gets $3 cash. Customer receives a special receipt showing the purchase and puts it in the Petrova Elementary box at the store.
* Through Facebook, there is a voting “like” campaign for Target. School gets entered into a drawing.

Upcoming events:

* Mini-grants are coming due. Please encourage teachers to apply. All are welcome to come to the review meeting-6pm elementary library, Oct 7.
* Need help staffing table during curriculum night Sept 25.
* Movie night help with popcorn-recommend the movie. Try to get on the list from the Middle School. Check with the secretary of the MS.
* Concession stand help needed-coffee, hot dogs, pizza, hot chocolate-October 19
* Jenn and Tracy will help with Picture Day
* Halloween-3 rotations-cafeteria, auditorium, library. Last year Jenn interviewed kids and made a video and showed it. Jenn wants more ideas. Another idea was to send in old baby pictures of Halloween stuff to show for a slide show. High School drama club came last year-Linda Peer. Could also get Halloween pictures from Gary Baldwin. Halloween banjo- Andy might play.
* Holiday Raffle Review-list to be distributed. Assign the parent to the task of soliciting businesses, bring the certificates back to Bob by Tues, Oct 1. Drawing to start Dec 1. Two winners each day and can go back in. Have a box in the office for products for the raffle.

Afterschool Programs

* Middle of Oct Becky will be calling on volunteers. If you have any ideas for programming, see Becky LaDue.
* Becky applied for the IronMan Grant; we won’t know until Sept 16 whether we get the money. $800 for the swim program-this is just for the instructors for 2-7week sessions. Other part of the grant is for the snow shoeing program at Dewey Mt for 2nd and 5th grades.

Grade Liaison

* This year the liaison program will take a break for a re-evaluation of purpose.

Class Directory

* School Directory was distributed last June.
* Teachers will have a class list to for parents to check off if they want to have their address and phone information included in the school directory during curriculum night.
* We could put the directory question for parents on the sheet that parents sign giving the district permission to use photos of their children.
* This year we can think about selling ads to local businesses.

Principal Update

* Chad’s goal is to bring the staff together to work cohesively.
* He plans to have Professional Development opportunities to be available to everyone.
* Technology does not have to be a big ticket item. It is just a means to make life easier.
* First staff meeting went well.
* Friday morning meetings are continuing as in the past. A Ustream-camera that streams video on line would be a great way for parents and families to connect with the school during Fri morning meetings, concerts, and plans.
* Chad created a Petrova calendar in Google platform. Any staff member can get the calendar.
* Most TA’s are outside during recess time now. Chad would like to see a lot more adults on the playground, engaging the kids in a productive way. He is searching for ways to support different kind of kids at their level-some children are game oriented, some are not.

Meeting Adjourned 8:50pm

Next Meeting:

Oct 7, Petrova Elementary School Library. Minigrant review - 6pm. Regular meeting – 7pm