**Athey Creek Middle School PTSA**

**Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, November 4, 2014**

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:30 am by Saleen Chenevert

Welcome/Introductions: Quorum established with 12 members in attendance.

**Principals Report: *(Joel Sebastian)***

Kathy Gregg, Assistant Principal, reporting for Joel. Conferences went well. Sixth and Seventh grades tried a new approach having students & parents meet with his/her team of teachers in a specific classroom. Good feedback from parents. Eighth Grade still had theirs in the Commons area, but are thinking about changing theirs to similar format to help it be more welcoming.

- Professional development continuing with math/science teachers, Language arts coming up.

- Korean families are focusing on hope and all encouraged to not spread unknown information. The time spent here in Oregon went great.

- November 14 is the Peace Assembly in Eugene. Our school will be receiving an award for our focus on Peace. We will be sending some of our students to the conference.

- Second Quarter began this week, so new Academy’s started this week too. Revisiting grades continuing through the second Quarter or do they stop at each quarter.

- Athey Idol was a huge success and raised a lot of money. Barb will send out a report on Athey Notes.

**Presidents Report: *(Saleen Chenevert****)*

- Put S back in PTSA – we are bringing in leadership students to report on what they have been doing.

Students assisted in the following events (Reported by Teagen & Hunter, 7th graders):

- 6th grade orientation, Turning Point and Student Breakfast for 6th graders, Band concert, Athey Idol, X-country, Spirit week.

- Nov. 8: Athey will be sending kids to the peace conference in Eugene

- Nov. 14: Third Spirit award with a guest speaker

- Nov. 21: Second annual Turkey Trot, food drive & fundraiser

Toni Snapp gave a brief talk on our Leadership Academy, how popular it is, 60+ kids in each quarter, and how we’re cultivating an inclusive culture here at Athey. She also is going to work with the teachers to promote joining PTSA for $10. If we have 20 teachers signed up, PTSA will fix up the teacher/Staff lounge.

Saleen reported that the following activities went well:  
- Potluck for Korean visitors was great

- TASA was good timing for October conferences

- PTSA supported/advertised for Idol in display case & facebook

- New display in lobby case will have a grateful theme (list volunteers, etc.)

**Treasurer Report*: (Lola Skates) reported by Saleen Chenevert.***

Turning Point profit was $130, The Welcome Coffee was about $30. Goal is to cover expenses-these are not fundraisers.

Membership fees raised: $10,313

Student Store raised: $670

Dance: $1200 profit to be used for 8th grade dance.

Directories: Income in/but will be used when bill comes after printing.

Spirit Wear: $140 profit

PTSA had $27,775 in bank, so minus expenses, we have $21,251 balance.

The school sign is maybe not too far out of reach if the Lowes grant for $5000 comes through in January. District will install, so it’s just the cost of the sign.

**Membership: *(Joanne Masters)***

There are 187 members so far, more than last year. We have three teachers signed up so far.

**Committee Reports**:

Volunteer Coordinator: *(Kate Hoots)*

Saleen reported for Kate: Turkey Trot list of interested parents went to Sarah & Chris, Wellness teachers.

Turkey Trot: *(reported by Chris Berg & Sarah Bray, Wellness Teachers)*

November 21, Friday is Turkey Trot! This is a school food drive and fundraiser and last year, it made about $21,000. They are planning a parade in the commons area at the beginning of the day so all groups can see each other’s costumes. The course will have physical obstacles like tires, hay bales, etc. There will be a math, art and science station. This year the groups will be from the core classes. There will be a prize for the group with the most donated food cans.

Garage Sale: *(Saleen Chenevert)*

Saleen will be sending out an email to board members to set a time to meet and organize the garage sale this year given we don’t have the Rolling Hills Church space to store our items.

School Store *(Shari Winters*)

Last year the store made $900 all year, this year, in two months we have already made $670 (we also added a third day to be open). If interested, go to the PTSA website to sign up to work the store. The Federal Food guidelines are going to be enforced by the State of Oregon, so we have to change what we sell for food. No more candy-has to be healthier choices. Apparently evening activities are not on the same restrictions.

Directory & TASA report: (*Margaret Koch*)

Planning to have Directory done and distributed before Thanksgiving. Was a challenging project, but ESD contacts were very helpful in addition to Sheila’s guidance. TASA went really well with the burger bar. We are trying new menus, thinking of lighter options, so if something on Volunteer Spot doesn’t make sense, please let Margaret know!

**Community Reports:**

Education Foundation: *(Jim Kamikawa & Elaine Cozart)*

Nov. 18 is the Education Summit where the principals and/or vice principals from each school in the district come together along with the Superintendent. Each school can send parents representatives, so contact your school if interested. Foundation activitiy coming up is the Honor Teacher/Staff Campaign. They are working on having a student class captain to help with fundraisers.

**Adjourn**: Meeting adjourned at 10:32 am.

Want to continue the discussion or join a committee that presented today? Here is contact information for the presenters:

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Attachment A: Sign-In Sheet

Attachment B: Treasurers Report

Date Minutes Approved: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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