Athey Creek Middle School PTSA

Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, April 7, 2015

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 9:34 am by Saleen Chenevert

Welcome/Introductions: Quorum established with 13 members in attendance.

**Principals Report: *(Toni Snapp for Joel Sebastian)***

Joel is out at a meeting, and Kathy is involved in the testing

OAKS (Smarter Balance) testing started today with the 7th grade. Schedule is on the Athey Creek web page. We have been strategic about scheduling this as far as days/times/how. Peggy Pricer, our IT person, has made sure all computers are ready. This is the order of testing: Reading, Writing, Math, and then 8th graders take a Science test at the end of May.

This is the first day of the 4th Quarter and there will be many things going on: visitors, ceremonies, Career Fair to name a few.

Staff Lounge: some suggestions were to have a soda machine, soda stream machine. Toni handed a folder of emails from the teachers to Allie with lists of desires. Maybe we could partner with the leadership kids to help do some of the work? We can also look at what we can move upstairs and store on the new Rhino shelving. Will be discussing with Joel on what can/will be approved.

District response to the College Career Readiness: The district has adopted the Naviance computer program and all the counselors/necessary staff completed training on it. It is district wide and will continue with the students through high school. There are three components, 1. Strength explore inventory which identifies possible professions. This provides one stop shopping for college careers, scholarships available, information on high schools & colleges, & recommendation letters from teachers are done through this program. 2. Build a Resume, the student inputs his/her information and the program sets up a resume. 3. Will be using this for our 8th graders on May 21, Thursday. After academy, Toni will introduce this program to the 8th graders, and they will do a high school scavenger hunt so they can learn to navigate the program to learn about their particular high school.

Career Fair: We are looking for professionals that would be willing to do an interactive session with the interested students. It will be from 1:30-3:30.

This Thursday, the 8th graders are forecasting for West Linn High School. Wilsonville already did theirs. Students have received a blue packet, they need 4 signatures and have to turn in the blue sheet to Toni. From 9:30 – 11:30, the classes will be called down to meet with counselors to look at electives available.

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

- May 10: Bus driver appreciation

- June 10: 8th grade Celebration (Dance) day

- Today, Saleen will be sending out a notice to teachers about applying for grants, garage sale presale on Friday, at 4:30. We will be voting on requests in June.

- Reader Board Sign Update: The electrical work is done, concrete pad is in, they are waiting for the concrete to cure, then can install the sign.

- Garage Sale appreciation will be after the garage sale, maybe at Wankers right after school, invite the teachers?

- Career Fair: 7th and 8th graders will work on an interest inventory and will have a project assigned after meeting with the professionals.

- New Board Members: We will be needing a new President (Dana Callaghan), Treasurer (Sheila Adams is a possibility), Vice President? Saleen will be in charge of the garage sale.

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

Nothing new to report. We have $7,908.23 in the bank.

**Committee Reports:**

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

Tax receipts were mailed out. Reported that 22-23 teachers have signed up and we can now proceed with the staff lounge update. Break room is now on the agenda so we will look at teachers requests and meet with Joel on approvals. Allie has a connection (Brittany) for free and greatly reduced priced furniture, so we will be looking for a new couch. We’re looking at spending $1-2000.

**TASA/Closet*: (Margaret Koch)***

Next TASA is April 15, Soup and Salad. We’re less than ½ way filled up for food contributions, so spread the word to sign up.

**Garage Sale: *(Saleen Chenevert)***

We have 2 full containers outside. We need more volunteers for the days of the sale. Wednesday we bring in the tables & set up the clothes. Thursday, the kids will bring all the boxes in from the containers and we will unpack and price. Friday, we will continue to unpack & price. The Sale is Saturday and Sunday. We will have concessions of coffee, water, pops, popcorn & candy for sale. The containers are scheduled to be removed on Friday and the Goodwill trucks arrives on Friday.

**Eighth Grade Dance (*Allie Jensen)***

- 8th Grade Dance: Scheduled for June 10. Susanne Nelson & Courtney Kennedy are leading this. They plan on having a snow cone machine, Papa Murphy’s pizza & are hoping to have the yearbooks to hand out. They will check to make sure no one has outstanding fees or library books out.

**Community Reports:**

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

Count me in Campaign: There was a planning meeting last week and they were wondering if they could have flyers available for the garage sale check out so that they are included in peoples bags. Looking at ways to create more awareness of this campaign. The HOT campaign honoring teachers funded 1 teacher, the COUNT campaign’s goal is to fund 2 more teachers.

Blazer night: Our night was Saturday and we sold 390 tickets which made over $4,000. They were told this was one of the biggest sales for a first time group. Souled Out sang the National Anthem and the Courtside kids was a lot of fun. Out of the raffle tickets sold, 20 were picked out to participate in this. Many people had WLWV signs and after the game, the group got to throw free shots with the Blazers. The organizers worked hard when the ticket orders came in to keep groups of people together for seating. They reported that 1/3 of the participants were first time donors. The phone drive starts the 3rd week of May for the COUNT campaign.

**New Business:**

Staff Lounge to be planned for upgrades

**Upcoming Dates:**

4/11-12: Garage Sale

4/15: TASA – Soup/Salads

5/8: Bus Driver Appreciation

6/10: 8th Grade Dance/Celebration

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 10:35 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: Treasurers Report

Attachment B: Sign in Sheet

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

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