

**Woodland Elementary PTO**  
**October 13, 2009**  
**Minutes**

**Attendance:** Faith Plew, Sandy Trumblee, Jamie Smith, Becky Sloniker, Emily Killian, Jessica Beard, Sue O'Donnell, Nicole Greene, Shana Brown, Amy Holkeboer, Maggie Braden, Joni Shore, Melanie Perez, Lindsey Bucher, Liz Adams, Kelley Boehme, Angie Kennard, Scott Jackson, Vanessa Marzette, Lauren Huberty, Marie Koss Ryan, Tracy Williams, Theresa Butler, Staci Andrews

**Introductions:** Faith introduced Jennifer Whistler, President of the Portage Public School Board of Education, who spoke on the funding and budget for PPS.

**Secretary's Report:** Theresa Butler motioned to approve minutes from September and Kelley Boehme made a second to the motion.

**Treasurer:** Joni reviewed revenues and expenditures to date. Faith asked to approve the budget, and Marie Koss Ryan motioned to approve. Angie Kennard seconded it.

**President: Faith Plew**

- Thank you to Danielle Baucom for volunteering to Chair Fifth Grade Farewell.
- Thank you to Lindsey Bucher for being School Picture Coordinator.
- Scott Jackson volunteered to chair Yearbook.
- Mentioned we are looking for someone to Chair Ice Cream Social.
- Asked for volunteers for Book Fair in November.
- Woodland purchased movie license.
- New sound system came in.
- Amy Mohr volunteered for the DAC Committee.
- Recommended a treat and trophy as an incentive for classes who win Box Tops Contests.

**Vice President: Shana Brown**

- Thanked all the room parents who volunteered for this year.
- Mentioned the Walk for Woodland is off to great start.
- Informed everyone of the Poster Decorating currently going on that will be displayed around the track outside for the Walk.
- Kids will get bandanas and Walk for Woodland Buttons, bracelets and certificates.
- Informed everyone that it will be Class Color Day for the Walk.

**Principal: Sue O'Donnell**

- Thanked everyone for all the work on the Walk for Woodland.
- Assembly was great and the kids were so excited.
- Informed everyone that Friday October 16<sup>th</sup> will be the first lock down drills.
- The Prep Program was funded.
- Thanked Becky for being on MiBLSi.
- Mentioned that MEAP started today October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009.
- Confirmed that the 4<sup>th</sup> grade Music Program will be on October 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Expressed that she feels that everything has been going very smoothly with the transition of students.

## ***Teachers:***

### ***Maggie Braden***

- The blending of kids has gone very well.
- Picked kids for Student Advisory. They will be selling green bags again and Woodland T-shirts before holidays.
- Thanked the PTO for everything they do.

### ***Nicole Greene***

- Expressed that the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade would like to be a part of the “Adopt the Rapture Program” from the Nature Center. The adoption rate is \$35.
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teachers agreed to draft letter to parents asking for support.

### ***Amy Holkeboer***

- She is thankful for such a supportive group of parents.
- The merging of kids has gotten off to a wonderful start.
- Gave kudos to Amy Mohr for stepping up on DAC.

## ***Committee Reports:***

### ***Emily Killian***

- She turned in directory on Monday and KRESA got her a copy to look at and printing is taking place.
- 80 families have purchased directories.

### ***Faith Plew***

- Kelly Lurges wants to show Disney movie the Balloon Farm at the First Movie Night.
- Kelly wants to put Raffle tickets inside balloons and that there will be creative food.
- Asked for additional helpers for Movie Night on November 13<sup>th</sup>

### ***Jamie Smith***

- Mailed official Box Tops today and there were \$192.50
- Box Top Contest starts for October
- A trophy was donated by a friend for the winning class.
- Rooms need to have Boxes for Each Room to collect tops.
- Will try to get a Link on the Website for Box Top Contest.

### ***Liz Adams***

- She is getting ready for Teacher Appreciation Potluck Dinner that will be from 4-5 in the Cafeteria on November 18<sup>th</sup>.

## ***Miscellaneous:***

- Joni Mills asked if there is a microwave available for warming up meals for kids in cafeteria.
- Sue will talk with the cafeteria staff regarding microwave.