

Portage West Middle School
PTSO Minutes
Wednesday, April 15 2009

Attendees: Nikki Perk, Lenore Bishop, Margo Staunton
Julie Cartier, Terri McDonald, Jeanie Leers
Janet Bliden, Tricia Lutz, Rita McKenzie, Colleen Semler, Marian Hawkins,
Dawn Fitch, Sue Bourgress, Jeanne Lewis

President Nikki Perk called the meeting to order at 11:34am
Julie Cartier approved March minutes
The approval was seconded by Dawn Powell-Fitch

Treasurer's Report was presented by Lenore Bishop

Principal's Report was given by Larry Killips. Some highlights included the following:

- Mr. Killips went over important upcoming calendar dates, some mentioned to note were:
 - Track and Field has started
 - Band Solo and Ensemble at Sturgis
 - Incoming 6th graders visit to WMS
 - 8th Graders Science upcoming field trip to the Challenger Learning Center
 - Academic Awards Programs
 - 8th Grade Farewell
 - 8th Grade Michigan Adventure Trip
- Yearbooks for the year are now in and ready for pick up.
- Parent report to come home soon with outcome of MEAP Testing and scores.
- The last Advisory Period will be coming up May 14. They will then evaluate the strategy and decide how to proceed with the 2009-2010 school year.
- Mr. Killips talked about the transitioning with staffing and scheduling for the upcoming school year. Enrollment is projected to be down to 675 from 710 for the 2009-2010 year.

Meeting was then turned back over to President, Nikki Perk. Some of the issues briefly discussed were:

- Next PTSO Meeting May 6, 2009 at 11:30am in Media Center
- 8th Grade Farewell committee is well under way. The theme is “Aloha, Class of 2013”. This event will take place Saturday, June 6 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. If there are questions contact Julie Harlan at Julie@absolutevideo.com

The next planning committee meeting is Wed, April 29 7:00pm WMS Cafeteria. The meeting following that is scheduled for Wed, May 27.

We NEED volunteers for decorating the entire “ Aloha Tiki Village ” on Friday, June 5th beginning at 3:00pm. Please contact Dawn Powell-Fitch if you are available that day or the afternoon of the 6th at fitch.dawn@sbcglobal.net

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:20pm

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Powell-Fitch