

R.C. Lindsey PTO

Date: May 10, 2013

Place: Lindsey MPR

Meeting called by: PTO Meeting

Note Taker: Amy Timm

Meeting Time: Called to order at 8:49am

Attendance: 20

Opening:

Motion to waive the reading of the April 2013 meeting minutes by Sharon Luther. Second by Keri Pattison.

Treasurer's Report:

Money looks good. We will have money coming in from Box Tops, Skating Party and Market Day. We have money that will be going out for Junior Great Books and for Field Day.

Mr. Bernacki:

Thank you for being here.

The Iowa Tests are up and running. There is not a set schedule right now. We are testing day by day. We have the laptops set up in one room for testing and the computer lab is set up for testing. We should be done with all testing by the end of the month.

We will have a lockdown drill on May 16th.

Kindergarten Orientation is being held at Westwood on May 16th at 7:00pm.

May 16th will be the band, recorder and vocal concert at 2:00pm.

May 17th the 3rd graders will be going to Century Village for a field trip.

May 20th the 4th graders will be heading to Progressive Field for the Weather Days Program and the Indians game. Parents are welcome to purchase tickets and join us.

Marian Sparent and Lynn Zagorski will be running the Talent Show this year. It will be held on May 22nd at 6:30pm.

May 24th the 3rd, 4th and 5th graders have a payback field trip to United Skates. Parents are welcome to join their children.

May 28th is the Captain's game for Lindsey students.

May 31st the 5th graders are going on the Goodtime. Parents are welcome to purchase tickets and join their children.

Field Day is being held on June 4th.

Mr. Palmer- Not Present

Committee Chair Reports:

Golf Outing is going to be held at Berkshire Hills Golf Course on June 8th at 9am.

Market Day- We will have one more pick up in June.

Book Fair- May 23-25th we have the end of the year book fair. It is buy one book get one free.

Old Business:

We are still in need of committee chairs for Beautification, Family Fun Day, Junior Great Books and PTO Appreciation Night.

Kcups of coffee, tea and hot chocolate, creamers and a fruit basket were purchased for the teachers. The teacher's lunch will be held on May 10th.

We contacted Westwood about the absentee ballot. They send out a ballot to their members and the members have to send them to a designated person.

We are forming a Bylaws committee. Anyone interested in being on the committee please contact Amy Timm at farmertimm@roadrunner.com.

New Business:

The audit committee will consist of Becky Edwards, Debbie Kreuz and Sarah Mann.

August Bill Vote: Teacher and Principal Grant money.

Ann Allegretti proposed a motion to raise the Principals funds from \$2000 to \$2500. Becky Edwards seconds the motion. Motion has been granted.

Keri Pattison made a motion to keep the teachers fund the same. Becky Edwards seconds the motion. Motion is granted.

A motion was made by Andrea Milnar to pay the August bills, including money for the Walk-a-thon. Sharon Luther seconds the motion. Motion is granted.

A flyer was made up and sent home requesting used sports balls for the children to use at recess. Sally Continzono got a quote from Playground world to replace the tether ball posts. The cost would be \$1300 with installation.

Andrea Milnar proposed a motion for the replacement of the tether ball poles. Teresa Kulp seconds the motion. Motion is granted.

Ipads: PTO would like to buy iPads for the school. We would like to spend \$13,879 to purchase Ipad cart with 30 Ipads.

Fifth grade is one on one with iPads. With help from Mr. Kilroy we have gotten one iPad cart for each, the forth, third and second grade. We have one iPad cart for kindergarten and first grade to share. The need for technology in the schools is imperative. All state testing, within the next few years, will be done online. It is important that we get more equipment in our schools. Angela Wyatt, fifth grade teacher, sent a letter to PTO explaining the importance of getting more iPads in our school.(see attached letter).

Concerns with Ipads are as follows:

- *The concern that iPads will replace the teacher
- *The students spend too much time on the iPad playing games
- *Concerns about not having restrictions about website they can go on
- *If assignment is on the iPad and the students cannot get it completed in school will they be penalized because students cannot take iPads home
- *That parents are responsible for iPads if they get broken

Becky Edwards makes a motion to vote on spending \$13,879 on one iPad cart and 30 iPads for the school. Ann Allegreti 2nds the motion.

Vote: 13 for iPads, 7 against. Motion granted .

Adding a line on the budget for technology.

PTO received a suggestion that birthday cards and a candy bar be bought for the teachers to celebrate them on their special day.

Keri Pattison proposed a motion to buy birthday cards and candy bars for the teachers. Andrea Milnar seconds the motion.

Vote 3 for Birthday cards, 7 against. Motion denied.

Fifth graders will have cake for a graduation treat. They will have this when they watch their DVD.

Meeting is adjourned at 10:51am. Motion by Keri Pattison, 2nd by Sharon Luther.