Atkinson Elementary PTA

General Membership Meeting

October 20, 2015

**Call to Order**:

President Annie Johnson called to order the general membership meeting of the Atkinson PTA at 6:30 PM in Mr. Ferguson’s classroom. A quorum of members was present. See attached sign in sheet (Attachment A)

**Approval of Minutes**:

Carissa Harrison, Secretary, presented the minutes of the May and September general membership meetings. Erich moved to approve the minutes for the May and September meetings. Natasha seconded. Approved.

**Principal’s Report:**

* The Oregon Department of Education released the state report card for all schools this month. Schools did not receive an overall rating this year due to the transition to the new Smarter Balanced testing framework, however, the results of the assessment are included in the report at <http://www.ode.state.or.us/data/reportcard/reports.aspx>
* Atkinson just hired a technology assistant for thecomputer lab. We are also applying for a $10,000 grant from Wells Fargo to create a mobile lab for the upper grades. We will still need $5500 on top of the grant to make this a reality.
* Atkinson’s new Comprehensive Achievement Plan (formerly known as the School Improvement Plan) focuses on several priorities: Equity- create a vision that establishes structures that can be maintained through future administrative changes; School culture- working to set groundwork for behavior intervention framework in all school settings (lunch room, hallway, playground, classroom); School and Family Partnerships- working to engage families in student learning with activities like family math nights with teachers.

**Treasurer’s Report**:

PTA Treasurer Natasha Nielsen presented the financial report (Attachment B). At its October meeting, the PTA Board added $100 to theDia de losMuertos celebration to provide food on the last day of the celebration.

**Fundraising Report:**

* The Playground Committee completed phase 1 of the improvement project this summer. In phase 2, we need to add a rubberized path leading to the main play structure to improve accessibility for students with mobility challenges. So far we have raised $2800 for the path on the gofundme website, but we still need to raise about $4200.
* Call for Fundraising Ideas: Fire on the Mountain Eat Out, McMennamins Eat Out?

**OLG Report:**

See attached report. (Attachment C)

Garden T-shirt sale: Kira will look into whether we can get sample sizes and do a pre-order for the shirts.

**Funding Proposal:**

During school pictures, the lack of accessibility to the school stage became apparent. A9’ Portable ADA ramp would cost around $360-420.Before presenting/ voting on the proposal, Ivonne agreed to ask if the district will purchase the ramp.

**Good of the Order:**

* Fall Festival and Bake Sale is October 28.
* Stay connected and informed by joining the Atkinson Community Facebook page.
* The Oct 30 Night Out for Parents is filling up. Look for additional “babysitting” fundraisers to come.
* The Scrip program needs someone to help with staffing the table in the hallway and/or driving to Tigard to pick up the scrip orders. If you are able to help, please contact Amanda Campy at amanda@vipsportsphoto.com

**Adjournment**:

President Annie Johnson called the meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Prepared by,

Carissa Harrison, Secretary

Attachments:

1. Sign-In Sheet
2. Financial Report
3. OLG Report

Date Presented: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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President Secretary