

**PTA Meeting Minutes**  
**April 19, 2011**

Minutes taken by PTA Secretary Holly Boime.

Members present: Karla Zirbes, Jennifer Povich, Anya King, Constance San Juan, Terrie Hendrickson, David Rees, Amy Liber, Holly Boime, Karla Martin, Kirsten Jacobson-Croak, and Sean Connelly.

Meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m. by PTA President Karla Zirbes

**President Karla Zirbes**

She asked for an executive search committee update from Amy Liber. Amy says there are no candidates yet for president and vice-president of next year's PTA.

In respect to a family gym night asking for volunteers and what would be a good night of the week to have it.

Oregon PTA supports the two PPS school measures. We'll be having a phone bank.

**Financial Update: Treasurer Constance San Juan**

In March there were two new PTA members.

Fundraising report:

- Market research project: \$500
- Moreland ticket sales: about \$694
- Notecards, 1 box: \$52.68
- E-script: 53.68

OLG account: working with Sean Connelly to reflect more categories.

Budget planning: sending out e-mails regarding possible changes.

If you have some funding proposals for next year then please get them to Treasurer by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Outstanding expenses requests are due to Treasurer by June 1<sup>st</sup> as well.

The budget approval will be done at the June PTA general meeting rather than the September meeting as done previously. This change, hopefully, will help make the PTA better prepared in the fall.

There was discussion about fundraising strategies.

**Volunteer opportunities: Volunteer Coordinator Jennifer Povich**

- Everything in FYI

- Plant sale delivery by truck @11 a.m. Could use 5<sup>th</sup> graders.
- Science mentors: in-class help.
- Grades 3-5 talent show, May 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, help needed with audition and rehearsals.
- Stories of place
- Staff appreciation, May 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Earth Day: Sean Connelly**

He's trying to get all those who want to be involved to do planting for the new prairie garden near the outdoor classroom.

**Walk and Bike Challenge month: Karla Zirbes for Molly Haynes**

There's a meeting planned this Thursday at Café Au Play open to all.

**OLG: Sean Connelly**

- There's about \$700 worth of plants to be planted in the new prairie garden at the south school entrance.
- The displaced rhododendrons and azaleas have been moved to the northwest front of the school building.

**Principal Update: Debbie Armendariz**

She discusses the results of the survey given to parents and teachers about enrichment programs at the school. First, the building leadership team and site council has set the general priorities which have a full-time counselor, full-time whole programs, and reading support. And goals are to have at least .5 FTE school counselor, PE 1x/week for each class, library staffed at least .5 FTE, and enrichment 3x/wk for each class.

The enrichment options are educational technology, foreign language, garden coordinator/teacher, music, visual arts, and others?

The survey has 1 being the highest preference and 5 the lowest.

The teacher survey resulted in the following:

- 1) Music: 1.75
- 2) Educational technology: 2.58
- 3) Foreign language: 2.95

The parent survey resulted in the following:

- 1) Music: 1.88
- 2) Foreign language: 2.41
- 3) Visual Art: 3.14
- 4) Educational Technology: 3.26

By April 26<sup>th</sup> the Principal will know how many FTE's we'll have and she'll need to turn in her budget by May 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Mt Tabor Middle School: Teacher and students representing Cedar Lodge**

The Cedar Lodge is where a group of students have the same homeroom teacher throughout their middle school years. The cedar lodge program may be cut due to conflicting programs and services.

The Cedar Lodge program is beneficial to the teaching homeroom teacher because he/she only gets 10 new students per year. The Cedar Lodge environment fosters a caring, community-oriented environment where older kids serve as role-models, kids learn from each other, and kids really learn what their strengths and weaknesses are.

**Other:**

Karla Martin and Cindy will co-chair auction again if get volunteers upfront to help.

Previous meeting minutes approved:

- 1<sup>st</sup> motion: Heather
- 2<sup>nd</sup> motion Constance San Juan
- Received majority vote: Yes

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.