

## AG Richardson PTO Minutes

### Executive Board Meeting

March 12, 2010

The board meeting was held on March 12, 2010 at 8:45 a.m. Those in attendance were Janine Morrison, Jill Armm, and Lori Deane. Also in attendance were Sue Bridges, AGR Principal and Jane Hall, Assistant Principal.

#### **Old Business:**

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the February 19, 2010 board meeting were approved by the Board. Lori Deane, Secretary, confirmed that the attendance at the general membership meeting was the lowest thus far this year.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jill Armm, Treasurer, reported the checkbook balance for the general fund was \$16,890.83 and the playground fund was \$24,152.42. Spirit wear and spirit booth items have generated \$845.00 in profits, and Duke's Dollar Raffle has brought in \$150.00 this week.

**Teacher Treats:** Sarah Richards has cut out shamrocks for teacher goodies to go along with a theme of "lucky to have you", and a piece of candy for next week. In April, we will include a message of "hoppy to have you" with a bunny paw print cut out.

**Curriculum Night:** There was a discussion about the low attendance for this event. Sue Bridges opined that the Parent/Teacher Conferences were held too close to Curriculum Night, and that Curriculum Night needed to be held in February (when it was originally planned but cancelled due to snow) so that it did not interfere with spring sports. Janine Morrison reported that Mrs. DeJarnette had a survey form available which might be helpful for parent feedback in planning the event for next year.

**Bowl-A-Thon:** This event raised \$486.00 for the playground fund. We will probably try to schedule another bowling event in the fall, and have families pay their own way and attempt to raise funds in other ways by a 50/50 raffle, etc.

**Family Movie Night:** There were approximately 140 in attendance during this event. In the future, we will have to lock the doors to the hallways as some children damaged items in the hallway.

**Duke's Raffle:** Duke's Dollar Raffle is already bringing in funds after the flyer/tickets recently went home with students. The skits are being played on the announcements up until the drawing. We have \$1,200.00 budgeted for this event.

**Wrestle Mania:** Sue Bridges reported that she had not yet contacted Mark Settle, and Janine Morrison volunteered to do so. Lori Deane reported that the Sheriff's Department charges \$30.00 per hour, per deputy for special events security. Janine Morrison reported that deputies were not allowed to volunteer due to certain issues, such as Worker's Compensation. We would need 8-10 deputies. Janine Morrison will find out the seating capacity for the EVHS gym, and discuss potential dates in the fall with Mark Settle.

#### **New Business:**

**Fun-N-Beyond:** After discussion, it was decided that we will not include a release for AGR as their form is sufficient. Lori Deane will create a flyer by the week of March 22 to advertise this event prior to Spring Break so that the copies are ready to be distributed on April 6<sup>th</sup>. We will use the school messenger as a reminder the day prior to the fundraiser.

**Spring BOGO Book Fair:** Our spring book fair will be held from April 16-23, with a Family Night on April 22 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Jill Armm will provide cookies for Family Night, and Janine Morrison will request cookies from families for the teacher preview. Janine Morrison will coordinate the volunteers for the book fair.

**Spaghetti Dinner and Art Show:** This event is scheduled for April 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Ms. Testerman will put in a work order for the stands to be transferred to AGR. The art work will be displayed in the cafeteria and in the halls. Every student will have something displayed. The students will not be eating in the cafeteria on this day to allow for the area to be set up. Lori Deane will contact Merchants Grocery to request a donation of salad to serve 300 people. The price for the dinner was set as follows: under three will be free, \$5.00 for school aged children, and \$7.00 for adults. We will sell tickets ahead of time. It will be all-you-can-eat. Jill Armm will prepare the flyer to go home with students. Tickets will go on sale the week of April 12, and the deadline for purchase will be April 28. Janine Morrison will prepare the tickets. We can also sell tickets at the Book Fair Family Night. We will seek teachers as volunteers to serve food, and Jane Hall previously volunteered to do so. On an unrelated matter, Janine Morrison will see if any of our teachers would like to serve food/run the prize wheel at our next Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night. The theme baskets are as follows: (1) "Love to read", which might include books donated by the school library (2) Chocolate/teddy bear/candle basket (3) All dolled up, which will include doll clothing for American Girls doll, etc. hand-made by Janine Morrison's mother (4) Sports basket and (5) Summer/beach fun. Lori Deane's parents will donate a weekend at their townhouse in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Janine Morrison will present the themes during the next parent liaison meeting in order to request donations. Jill Armm will have Ali Myers write some announcements promoting this event.

**McDonald's Spirit Night:** A date of May 11, 2010 from 5:00-8:00 has been selected. We will receive 10% profit of all sales. They also order t-shirts for our teachers that are going to be present, offer door prizes (some schools use them to raffle off), and Ronald McDonald will also be there. Janine Morrison will order generic size t-shirts (large and extra large) for teachers that are present that evening.

**Teacher Appreciation Week:** We will provide muffins again for the teachers sometime during the week of May 3, and possibly chocolate treats. We will provide lunch on the last day of school, June 15, for the teachers, too.

**"Run 4 Fun" 5K/1mile:** Janine Morrison reported that she had tried to contact Leslie Maryk, and would continue to do so. The potential dates are May 22 or June 5 to be held on the school property, and the Board discussed some other ideas such as allowing the students to ride bikes and roller blade to increase participation.

**AGR Community Yard Sale:** The yard sale has been set for May 8, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. Ms. Gregory has agreed to coordinate this event, but would like to a parent volunteer for additional assistance. We will charge \$10.00 per space, and it will be held in the cafeteria if it is raining.

**Family Movie Night:** It was decided that we would not host another movie night until the Fall of next year, but would try to hold two such events next year.

**Miscellaneous:** Janine Morrison reported that the freezer in the PTO storage room was not working. Jane Hall reported that a work order would be requested today for its removal. Janine Morrison and Lori Deane will try to locate another freezer free of charge. Lori Deane will write thank you notes to Mountain Run Bowling Center regarding the bowl-a-thon and China Inn for donating the egg rolls for the teacher's dinner during Parent /Teacher Conferences.

Our next meeting will be held on April 16, 2010 from 9:00-10:00 a.m. Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Deane, Secretary AGR PTO