

MEETING MINUTES

KARL PLANK JUNIOR HIGH HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

OCTOBER 2009

The October 6, 2009 meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Officers of the Plank Home & School Association in attendance were: Ilija Rivera, President, Rebecca Kidd, Treasurer, Myra Alvarez, 2nd Vice President, and Amanda Lang, Corresponding Secretary. Others in attendance were: Diane Cabiness, Bryan Buck and Alice Kellen.

Ilija Rivera asked Diane Cabiness to take the minutes. Ilija made reference to last month's minutes which are on the Plank website under the Parents section. The minutes were approved.

Ilija Rivera had a monthly summary. She acknowledged the efforts of Crystal Reed and Diane Cabiness on the Entertainment book fundraiser, which was a success. Membership includes 188 Plank families and 51 members of Plank's staff. Ilija is seeking a volunteer to maintain a list of members and which, if any, committees they checked off on their registration form. Bill Davis is striving for 100% participation by the staff, and Meghan Fulton will work that issue.

Rebecca Kidd reported that \$13,913.46 has been deposited in the Home & School account in September. There were \$6,144.37 in expenditures (mainly our portion of the Entertainment books), which leaves a balance of \$9,677.69. Profit from the September dance was \$1368. Profit from Entertainment books was \$4792. Rebecca also reported that the necessary paperwork for not-for-profit status will be filed by October 10. An amendment needs to be made to the By-Laws (Article 10, Dissolution) as part of the 501(c)(3) process. A motion was made and passed regarding the amendment.

Diane Cabiness reported that the Otis Spunkmeyer cookie dough sale will run from October 2 through October 16. The cookie dough will be delivered on November 9, with pick up from 5:00 – 7:00. Diane requested a list of potential volunteers to help with pick up. Diane recommended that if cookie dough is sold next year that it be moved to Spring so it does not compete with the magazine sale.

Ilija reported the next Culver's night is October 15. A reminder will go in the Arrr News. For September there were a few Plank volunteer servers. The Culver's staff wore the Plank shirts that Home & School gave them last year. September profit was \$149.

Ilija reported that the September teacher appreciation luncheon had a great attendance. Alice Kellen had to run out to purchase more food. This month's appreciation will be held October 29 during the luncheon periods.

The first Pirate Night of the year will be held October 29. There will be a pirate hat contest, Wii, Guitar Hero, board games, an open gym, concessions, and possibly bingo.

Myra Alvarez reported there were a few mixups with spirit wear, but she is managing to get different sizing and keeping customers happy. Myra also reported that she has arranged for a Buffalo Wild Wings night on November 4. Home & School will get 20% of the after-tax profits.

Mr. Buck thanked the Home & School for the teacher appreciation luncheon. Pack the Gym was a new activity that was well received by the students. He went through a listing of the various Fall sports and our teams are all doing well. The new trophy cases houses quite a great selection of awards for musical, athletic, etc. accomplishments. Today was a school improvement day and MAP scores were reviewed.

Curriculum Night had a great parent turnout. The Principal's Council meets 3 times per month with 15 standing student members and 15 ad hoc students. They supply Bryan with lots of input regarding behavior, discipline, and other school matters. New is a slide show that runs in the lunchroom that lists current events, birthdays, what's new in the LRC, teacher input, etc. Plank is striving to become more green. The Arrr News is only available online, unless you specifically request a hardcopy. Midterm grades will be online via the Home Access tool. The cheerleaders are holding a breakfast fundraiser at Applebee's for Susan G Komen. The Optimist club is doing a book drive and spare change fundraiser for the Brokaw Early Learning Center. The Plank budget has been cut 15% ... we may read about this in the local papers.

Meghan Fulton could not attend but gave Iliia her report. Meghan is requesting a list of which staff members have not yet joined the Home & School. There are only 15-20 people. She will attempt to get everyone to join.

Iliia reported on the Holiday Celebration, which will be held December 12. Local businesses are being solicited for raffle prizes by Iliia, Myra and Tina. Admission to the event will be a new toy, which will be donated to Mutual Ground. Events that day will include some craft vendors, photos with Santa, the LRC book fair, letters to Santa, cookie decorating, lollipop pull, face painting, and crafts in the art room. The next committee meeting will be October 13 at 6:30 at Plank.

There will be a social activity on October 8 at the Tap House Grill at 6:00 for the Home & School members.

The next meeting will be November 3 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.