

Jackson Elementary School PTA  
General Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by President Emmaly Renshaw. Present: Brandon Blankenship, Cindy Becker, Gale Skogman, Karen Eiles, Barry Osborn, Christi Winters, Nathan Bloome, James Girdner, Annie Bradford, Lauren Kohlenberg, Lisa Anderson, Erin Hutchison, Amy Bower, Lori Weber, Kaci Maire, Marty Weber, Emilie Hansen, Amanda Reeder, Kerry Talyat, Becky Smith, Nicole Papini, Candi Greathouse, and Amy Blomquist.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting were read silently and had no corrections. Minutes were approved.

**Co-President's Report:** Introduced 2015-2016 board.

**Vice Presidents Report:** Outdoor movie night in September 9/25. The movie HOME won the vote at supply drop off night. Looking at screen options. This year there will be an Enrichment Day instead of Enrichment Mondays this year. The Halloween Hike has been reworked into a Trunk or Treat and is on a Friday night. There will be a sledding day this year ☺ Going to try a bowling night at Westdale Bowl. Thursday folders get sent out about Noon. Get into the habit to checking it. Can like Jackson's Facebook Page and will get updates this way too.

**Treasurer's Report:** Budget is approved as it stands. Budgeted for a sound system \$450.00, PTA has been asked to fund PBIS t-shirts, turn in receipts to Melissa please. You can email them to Melissa, PTA or put in blue folder in the PTA mailbox.

**Membership Report:** Last count was 45.

**Principal's Report:** Jackson is a SINA school this year too. Every student in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> had to be proficient. We do not receive federal funds at Jackson. Have to write a plan. Some schools do get money. Top students have a hard time meeting requirements because they have a hard time growing. We will establish a co-plan; Annie, Allison and Jim go into classrooms and see what's going right and wrong.

**Committee Reports:**

- a. Volunteer Coordinator: Amy Bower asks that you please fill out a yellow card. She is working on America Reads Day 10/23. Looking for community members to come in and read. So far she has the Coe Co-Hawk, Clare from Z 102.9, Coach Carlson and some Rough Riders players.
- b. SCRIP: SCRIP funds to be used for things that benefit kids. Many families have signed up online to order SCRIP. You sign up using a code Lori provides. Then she approves you.
- c. Walking School Bus: 1<sup>st</sup> walk is 9/2. 13 kids signed up to walk. Need help with 2<sup>nd</sup> route from Wilderness Estates to Jackson. International Walk to School Day is first Wednesday in October.
- d. Running Club: Lynette Hodsen is hosting kids for 6 weeks to work towards running in the Turkey Trot. It's Monday and Thursday mornings starting at 8am on 9/1.

- e. Garden Club: Julie McMahan-has been great. Families adopted garden over the summer. Really working with Kdg right now. They are watering and picking tomatoes. Put up a greenhouse on Saturday 8/29. This extends our growing time. Had a grant from Lowe's to get going.
- f. Outdoor movie night: Becky already reported. Looking for help with the screen.

**Old Business:**

School Sign- inherited an old school sign with limestone sides.

**New Business:**

Fall Fundraiser: 9/16, Walk a Thon! This fundraiser funds clubs, supplies, field trips, supports the budget. Send in cash or check or via computer. Ordered race bibs. 4 stations around the trail. There will be classroom incentives.

Student directory: Becky Smith is working on this.

Spirit Wear: Watch for more information. Same with READ t-shirts.

Candi will be leading the Green Team. Will up-cycle something. I.E. Bird houses from milk jugs. Meet once a month after school. More information coming soon.

Guest Speaker: Michelle Reese; Probation/Parole Officer: Information on Sex Offenders in the neighborhood. 692A Iowa Code 80 crimes can land you on the abuse registry. 18 or 19 in relations with a 14 years old-lifetime parole. 2000 foot rule, cannot live within 2000 feet of a school or registered daycare; only applies to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees. Exception to the 18 or 19 year old rule. Most offenders on GPS, can provide sanctions. Can't go into backyard if it's not safe, etc. There are 6 face to face contacts per month. Check NSOPW- National Sexual Offender Link. 95% of abusers is someone they know well.

7:20pm adjourn