

Sweeney PTO Minutes

11/12/14

-Meeting called to order at 4:55 p.m. in the library of Sweeney School.

-Attending: Mrs. Firth, Ms. Brown, Ms. Hoboth, Mrs. Switchenko, Christina, Chrystal, two parents.

-Discussion about not posting the meeting minutes on the school website until the minutes have been approved.

-Motion to have a PTO member and a school administrator review the minutes before they are posted on the school website, with approval to follow. Motion passed.

-Fundraiser will be passed out on Thursday, Nov. 20 in the cafeteria. A few additional people are needed to help sort the items and pass them out. Mrs. Firth will help if available. Pick-up will be from 1-5:30. Ms. Brown will inform the afterschool program about use of the gym on the half day. Teri will be there for pickup.

-The PTO is investigating two school fundraiser involving BJ's Club memberships and Taco Bell.

-Mrs. Firth reported the school walk-a-thon was very successful, raising more than \$800. Also, she reported the Fall Festival was very well received and the students had a great time. She also reported a visit to the fourth grade by veterans for the Thank-A-Vet program was a success.

-The Sweeney Thanksgiving Feast will be Nov. 25. Parent Volunteers will be invited and contacted by Mrs. Firth to help set up for the dinner, wash fruit, etc.

-Parent-Teacher conferences will be Dec. 4 and 5.

Future PTO meetings are scheduled for the following dates:

- Dec. 10 6-7;
- Jan. 14 3:30-4:30;
- Feb. 6-7;
- March 11 3:30-4:30;
- April 8 6-7 p.m.;
- May 13 3:30-4:30;
- June 3 6-7 p.m.

-Motion to accept future PTO meeting dates. Motion passes.

-Mrs. Firth reported teachers are updating their Sweeney webpages and she is very excited about the information available.

-The treasurer's report stated the fundraiser payment amount is not final yet. \$100 was spent on the fall festival. The 5th grade field trip is paid for on Friday. The PTO will buy 8 \$25 gift cards for families in need. The school's liability insurance is also taken care of, Mrs. Switchenko reported.

-A motion to add Mrs. Firth and the PTO president to the PTO bank account was approved.

-It is assumed Mrs. Sykes will be taking over the Ossen Foundation with the departure of Mrs. Tomanelli.

-The Box Tops check for December will be \$502.40. Land O'Lakes may give coupons for expired coupons.

-Thank you notes for donations to the school from Friendly's and Walmart will be sent out by Lin.

-A teacher representative from Sweeney is needed to attend the district PTO meetings. The next meeting is Nov. 19 at 6 p.m. in Dr. Garcia's office. There will also be a meeting on Dec. 17 at 6 p.m. Ms. Brown said she will attend the Nov. 19 meeting.

-A call has been put in to the American Legion Post about a flag, waiting for a call back.

-PTO elections will be in January. The PTO needs a new secretary.

-There was discussion about a "Mug of Love" hot chocolate fundraiser in February. It will be discussed at the PTO December meeting. The next meeting will be Dec. 10 from 6-7 p.m.

-Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m. (Members began preparing for Ice Cream Social)