

April 3, 2012
MBES PTO Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by President, Carla Slebonick. March minutes were approved.

In attendance: Michelle Vann, Steve Sutphen, Yvonne Clark, Carla Slebodnick, Jeanne Truesdell, Micah Mefford, Nancy Massey, Jennifer Redifer, Lisa Beldon, Jenny Lo

- Mr. Mefford shared that the SOL window is May 7-24 for 3rd through 5th grade students. The last day of school will be determined this evening at the MCPS school board meeting. Teachers don't know yet what grades they will be teaching next year. Mr. Mefford will meet with Adele Schirmer of the Safe Routes committee on April 12th to discuss connecting the Huckleberry Trail extension behind Beeks with the sidewalk along Airport Road. The new walkway will run adjacent to the kindergarten playground and new fencing along the playground is a possibility.
- Kindergarten registration begins April 23 and kindergarten open house will be April 25 and 26.
- Spring fundraiser - \$1400 net profit. 5th Grade Legacy raised \$320. Books for Breakfast purchased \$800 in books. The International Dinner realized a \$125 savings over the original budget and the School Improvement Weekend (March 16) realized a \$250 savings over the original budget.
- Those in attendance discussed how to raise PTO memberships for the 2012/2013 school year. We decided to revisit dues structures at the next meeting.
- No teacher representative was in attendance to give the teacher's report.
- Carla Slebonick shared that the School Board was voting on redistricting tonight.
- Jennifer Redifer shared that the last Box Tops for Education collection for this year will be May 11. Our next check for Box Tops already submitted will be \$1177.30. Within a 20 mile radius of Beeks we are the #1 Box Tops fundraising school. We have 24000 Cambell's Soup points and Mr. Mefford will review options on how to spend them.

- Jenny Lo shared that we had a generous anonymous donor of Coke lids for our Coke Rewards program.
- Michelle Vann reported that the spring fundraiser “was the easiest fundraiser ever!” We had about 10% participation from Beeks families and more bulbs were purchased than chocolates.
- Carly Weber will take over the plans for the Summer Kickoff. It is scheduled for May 5, from 1-4PM. More details to follow.
- Spring Book Fair will be April 18-20.
- Teacher Appreciation week is May 7-11.
- The yearbook photos have been submitted to Life Touch and yearbooks are expected to arrive by mid-May.
- Steve Sutphen commented on the MBES Improvement Weekend, March 16 & 17. Grounds were mulched, brick playground walls were power-washed, interior walls were painted. Steve also shared that the Big Event was a huge success. Heavener Hardware donated equipment and Adam Salzberg of Highland Trees donated mulch.
- MBES 50th Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for October 3, 6-7:30PM.
- Class picture day will be April 12. Class pictures will be taken in the library again this year.
- Those in attendance discussed the possibility of adding stairs to the 1st/2nd grade playground to create a safer route from the school to the lower grounds.
- Carla Slebodnick will check with Carly Weber about the possibility of the Junior Women’s League painting 4 square and hopscotch.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:12PM.