

CGES/MSPTO Minutes of the regular meeting February 10, 2010

Those in attendance: Tammy Stevenson, TinaRae Scott, Marla Goeckel, Paula Holmes, Allen Selby, Sherri Edmiston, Judy Parks, Joyce Heilman, Brenda Kirk, Lisa Bolieu, Terri Goodell, Christy Henke, Shana Rothrock, & Jan Lerner. The minutes of the January meeting were approved on a motion by Judy, seconded by Brenda.

The Treasurer's report was approved by all after a motion by Allen and a second by Tammy.

Mrs. Tischhauser's 4th grade class did a Powerpoint presentation called "A Trip through the U.S." The group used the wireless cart and new computers to show us each state that they had done a power point presentation on. There were many students and parents who participated in this presentation.

At the last USD 417 Board meeting, our PTO was thanked for donating \$5,000 so our school could purchase another wireless cart. It has been reported that both wireless internet carts are checked out daily and used immensely.

We received 20 e-mails from the teachers and staff thanking us for supplying the food for the Parent/Teacher's Conferences so that the teachers would have something to eat on those long days. Various other Thank You cards were viewed by the group including the large bulletin board in the front hallway.

The PTO contacted the State Treasurer's office and claimed the money that was sitting there from Oriental Trading for unclaimed property and it amounted to \$154.

We received \$651 from boxtops we turned in and it was put in our student assistance fund.

Lisa reported on the new Fender sound system that she was looking at purchasing. The old one was beyond repair. The group allotted \$2,000 so she can purchase a new one from Flint Hills Music in Emporia, on a motion by Brenda, seconded by Tammy. It is a 6 line with 2 stereo plug-ins, 2 wireless mics, and extra microphone stands. She is also going to purchase a DVD player to go with it. This will be used for graduations, speakers, spelling bees, music programs, etc. It will be kept and checked out in the library.

Paula reported that the diecut machine has been renovated and the new diecut for wrestling is in. The cost for repairs was \$35.

The Valentine's Parties will be held February 11th for the lower grades and "Problem solving activities" will be held for the Middle School students on March 12th. Cindy Schultz is in charge. The 6th-8th graders are mixed up in these activities so they can work together and mingle.

Tammy thanked the principal, etc. for helping make it possible for the 8th graders to take a trip again this year. They will be going to Kansas City and have added some new and exciting events that differ from last years trip.

Sherri gave an Administrative report and noted that CGES/MS has 443 students and will be cut back to 1 principal next year, while CGHS has 223 with 2 administrators and Prairie Heights has 137 students with 1 principal. CGES/MS is also losing their counselor next year due to retirement which they are not replacing. She noted that Cindy Schultz has been a real help at the Middle school this year.

There will be a special BOE meeting on February 15th and they will be picking our new Superintendant. It was advised to please call your board member and tell them your opinions of where they are making their budget cuts. It was also noted that the Federal Government just sent down 31 new proposals on RTTA (which is replacing No Child Left Behind) today to our district. The next regular BOE meeting will be March 8th at Alta Vista.

The 3rd grade students, 49 of them are going to Rock Springs for their Field trip and asked if we would pay \$2 per child to sponsor the trip like we have in the past. On a motion by Tammy, seconded by Paula, the group approved the money.

It was noted that the PTO is not making any money on the snack shacks by the time we pay the group and pay for all the expenses. We are looking at different ways to handle it next year. This will be on the agenda again in March.

In the Morris County Spelling Bee, it was noted Luke Richardson took 1st, Erica Hecht, 2nd and Morgan Ash from White City got 3rd place. Congratulations to all that were chosen to participate and our winners!

The Classes of the week this time are Mrs. Stone's class and Mrs. Heilman.

Mrs. Collin's and the 2nd graders visited the Kaw Mission on January 27th for Kansas Day, and asked that we pay the \$30 it cost to go there. It was approved on a motion by Brenda and a second by Tammy.

Brenda, Paula, TinaRae and Jan have been working hard on the nominating committee, and still have several spots that need filled. If you can help, please call one of them and volunteer for next year. This item will also be on the agenda in March, as the new board must be voted on in April.

We are working on a Teacher's Appreciation meal for the first week of May. The committee of Mary DeVries, Cindy Stewart and Julie Hodges are planning the meal and setting a date. More information will be available at our next meeting.

A PTO fundraiser night at Dairy Queen has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 10th. Twenty percent goes to our local PTO, so please come out and help support us!

We would like to thank all of the adults and student babysitters who helped during the Parent/Teacher's conferences!

The next meeting will be March 10th @ 5:30 in the school library. Everyone is welcome to come.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Tammy Stevenson.

Attention:

New scholarship application

New scholarship applications

For 4nd 9 weeks are due to CGES by March 1st, 2010

Pending available funds

APPLICATION FOR A.S.P. SCHOLARSHIP

Name of Student _____ Age _____ Grade _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

School _____ Is this a teacher recommendation? Y___N___
If so, by which teacher? _____

Parent/Guardian(s) _____

Monthly Income \$ _____ Number in Household _____

Have you applied for help from any other organization (ex.SRS) Y_____ N _____

In what way do you feel that our A.S.P. program can benefit you and your child?

Do you feel you could contribute to the A.S.P. program in any way other than financially? If so, in what way(s)?

Other comments you think we need to know that apply to this application?

Thank you for taking your time to fill out this application.

Amy Mayhill, C.G.E.S. Site Director,

Christy Claypool, P.H.E.S. Site Director,

Diane Miller, USD 417 District Superintendent of Schools