

Endeavour PTA General Meeting, May 21, 2009

6:40pm – Julie Moore called the meeting to order. All members were sent proper notice and a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes – Kelly Waldo made a motion to approve the Minutes from the April 23, 2009 General PTA meeting. The motion was seconded by Tracey Stark, and the minutes were approved by a majority vote.

Treasurer's Report (Bob Russell) – The PTA received \$730 from Albertson's, a \$150 donation, and \$2,104 from the Book Fair. The PTA paid out several expenses since the last PTA meeting, including amounts for the Art Docent Program, Hospitality, Field Trips, and Teacher Grants. We currently have a \$20,600 Operating Balance with \$16,500 of budgeted expenses through the rest of the year, \$6,000 of which may remain untapped.

Committee Updates -Kelly Waldo (Staff Appreciation) thanked all the volunteers for helping during Staff Appreciation Week. Tracey Stark (Membership) reported that we now have 213 members, the largest membership that Endeavour has had to date. The PTA membership fees due to the State PTA will increase from \$7.50 to \$8.00 per member. Lisa Greenough and Sophia Schoop (Art Docent) reported on the May projects, which included Japanese brush painting and viewing artifacts used in the Japanese Tea Ceremony. There will be no lessons in June.

Basket Raffle and Ice Cream Social – Julie Moore (reporting for Suzanne Dant) brought several of the baskets to be auctioned for PTA members to view. A list of Raffle items was circulated. Firemen will be dishing up ice cream. Please invite neighbors and friends.

Old Business – Julie Moore reported that the results of the Parent Survey were positive, with 25% of parents responding to the survey. Parents thought that the best events were the Spelling Bee and Take 5. Movie Night needs improvement, as does the PTA Website. Final results of the survey will be published in the next PTA Newsletter.

Proposed 2009/2010 Operating Budget: Bob Russell reported that he has received no additional comments since our last meeting. Bob increased the Albertson's Card money by \$500 since the proposed Budget was reviewed, based on additional funds received this month. Kelly Waldo moved to approve the Proposed Budget as written, Debbie McCallick seconded. The motion was approved by a majority vote.

New Business – Principal's Report and 2009/2010 Outlook: Mrs. Jordan reported that a landing is being built this summer for two double sets of portables. Third Grade will be moving into the portables. Also, there will be a 2/1 split class next year. Mrs. Jordan asked if there was any objection to moving 3 of the disable parking spots to the lower parking lot. No objections were raised. Endeavour will be losing four non-continuing teachers next year: Mrs. Wagner, Miss Austin, Mrs. Hope and Mrs. Hansen. Returning to Endeavour will be Mrs. Swanson, Mrs. Lyle and Mrs. Wright. PST (primary support) position will be filled by Lindsay Greenough. Carol Govertsen is retiring at the end of this year, and Linda Kindle will be replacing her. We won't know the exact effect of No Child Left Behind on Endeavour until August (when the WASL scores are in), but there will still be busing. It is possible that Odyssey will become a Choice school next year. Due to State budget cuts, we have lost all our Staff Development money, para-educator hours will be decreased, and we are losing Extended Day programs.

Upcoming Events: Tuesday we will have an assembly featuring the 5th Avenue Theatre. Also on the horizon are a BBQ lunch for the kids by the District, as well as a Band and Orchestra concert. June 5th is the Fun Run for Grades 3,4, and 5 and a Primary Run at school for the lower grades. June 18th is Field Day. We will be

having an earthquake drill in two weeks with the Fire Department. We also will be having a Family School Walk-Through to determine how friendly Endeavour is in the areas of communications, layout, offices, etc.

Librarian's Report (Mr. Forge): The Usborne Book Fair brought in \$8,000 of revenue, \$2,000 of which goes to the Endeavour Library (which was more than last year). Mr. Forge shared books that will be part of the state book contest next year, and a list of the books was provided to the PTA, in case our children want to get a head start reading the books over the summer.

PTA Plans – Debbie McCallick introduced the Fall Fundraiser, Innisbrook Wraps, which also owns Helen Grace chocolates. Debbie outlined the steps taken in choosing Innisbrook as the company we decided to partner with in the fall, as well as the rationale for having a Fall Fundraiser. Elane Kim will be sending out a flyer soon regarding Innisbrook school supplies, which need to be ordered by June 30. Julie Moore went over upcoming events. Skate Night will be June 16th at the Everett Skate Deck. June 17th will be Cookies with Carol and Kromann, to say goodbye to Carol Govertsen and Mrs. Kromann. Julie said next year we may have less PTA meetings, and the meetings will be structured more as Parent Info Nights (more dialogue-based).

Presentations – Julie thanked Debbie Van Kopp for a job well done with Childwatch, giving her a bouquet of flowers. Kelly Waldo, Lisa Greenough, and Tonia Goodwin presented Karen Cunningham with the Golden Acorn award, including a certificate and flowers, for all that she has done for Endeavour.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

Submitted by Debbie McCallick, Secretary