

Central Springs-Manly PTO
Meeting Minutes
January 07, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.

In attendance: Jo K., Michelle H., Kari P., Jana F., Stacey S., and Connie R.

Treasurer's Report

Old Business

Cricket Craft Machine—Machine brought to meeting and will be kept on cart in office to be checked out/used by staff and PTO for school purposes. PTO will look into investing few other cartridges for more design options and tool kit in near future.

iPad Apps—Re-discussed PTO donation for parents not in attendance at December's meeting. Need to touch base with Nick Sparrow on progress/final decisions from last meeting (ie: how exactly money will be distributed fairly for purchases).

Target Gift Cards—Jo announced that all the classrooms did receive their Target gift cards in the amounts received from their Fall Family Festival Classroom Basket Raffles.

New Business

Sock Hop—Discussed final date: Friday, February 07, at 7 p.m. at Nora Springs campus. Manly will host 2015 Sock Hop.

Family Day: Bowling—03/02/14, from 1-4 pm, at Rose Bowl; Jana F. volunteered to co-chair event. PTO will not provide food/drinks (avail. for purchase at bowling alley); Will occur during open-bowling. PTO has 10 lanes reserved. Two games + shoe rental = \$5/person. PTO will cover \$3, bowler will pay \$2.

BOGO Book Fair/Game Night—Considering combining the two events. Book Fair is currently scheduled for April 14-18 (no school on 18th). Jo will check with office to see if gym is available for Monday (14th) or Tuesday (15th). Not wish to combine Book Fair with Magician because Magician will require a cost for families. Connie will chair Book Fair. Jo will chair Game Night.

Stebens Theatre Performance—PTO approved to host Stebens in the spring for PK-4. Michelle H. offered to make arrangements with school and theatre.

March Meeting Date Change—P/T Conference and monthly PTO meeting scheduled for same night (03/04/14). Meeting will be moved to **Monday, March 03, at 5:30**, instead.

Spring P/T Conference Meals—Jo will look into meal options for the two nights.

New PTO Website—Connie R. created new website for PTO and will maintain site. Suggestions for additional content or corrections requested. Address for site: www.manlypto.weebly.com

Winter Wipe Down—As per August PTO Meeting, it was discussed to discontinue annual Wipe Down, due to lack of previous parent/staff participation. Stacey S. and Connie R. offer to discuss with Carlson to have entire elementary get involved with maintaining their own rooms. It will be suggested that perhaps it be brought up during an upcoming R&R that teachers have students help clean their areas (desks, handles, equipment, etc.), to better take responsibility in their own rooms and their own well-being. PTO willing to donate 3(?) containers of sanitary wipes to help jumpstart.

Also discussed having volunteers just sanitize K-2 room, as doing all rooms in the past have taken too long to do in one night and 3 & 4 more capable to do own rooms.

WCDA Grants—Michelle H. offered to check with office on the 2014-15 WCDA Grant Request deadline and requirements. Some suggestions for new grants include money for playground improvements (blacktop paint (repaint US map, 4-square, hopscotch), tether ball equipment, etc.). Also, Connie R. suggested inquiring on costs and possibilities to establish a simple ball diamond outside kindergarten doors, keeping ease of maintenance, safety and cost in mind.