

PTO Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2010

- Welcome and Introductions
- Secretary's Report – Motion to approve May 2010 and September 2010 minutes was made by Heidi D and second by Julie G. Motion carried with majority.
- Treasurer's Report – Available for review and questions.
- Teacher's report – Ms. Crane and Ms. Muller were available. Ms. Crane reported that if we needed to find more teachers for fun night to let her know. Ms. Muller reported on the Quality Non-fiction book project. She discussed that they have been able to purchase 2 to 3 quality non-fiction books for each classroom. They are looking to spend at least \$500 per classroom this year. They have applied for grants and are awaiting the results of that. Mr. Ford mentioned that he would be using \$5000 from general fund to help support the project. There is still a need to provide more books to each room. The PTO will look at funding some more of the book project once Fun night is over with.
- Principal's Report
 - ❖ John Deere Donated \$5000 towards the purchase of 6 Dukane carts and PTO bought an additional 3 carts for \$2484. With these donations the school was able to finish the Dukane cart project.
 - ❖ Westwood spirit night is Dec 10th during the Girls Basketball game (approx 6:15pm). We will need to get 8 basketballs (4 for boys and 4 for girls). Julie G stated that the family activities committee is in charge of this and will get that taken care of.
 - ❖ Mr. Ford asked for a report on what rooms were being utilized for Fun night. Julie G was able to provide that information.
- Old Business
 - ❖ Walk to School Day was a great success with at least ½ of the kids in school participating in this event. Dave Kissinger, mayor pro-tem and Mark Wyatt, Executive Director of the Iowa Bicycle Coalition joined us that day. Holly McQueen from the DSM register took pictures. Those are posted on the PTO website.
 - ❖ Entertainment book sale ended on October 8th. There are still books coming in though. As of that date we were able to profit \$3700.
 - ❖ Wendy's night was October 5th. This was the biggest one yet. We were able to raise \$303 for PTO. Ms. Christenson's class won. Next Wendy's night is Nov 2nd.
 - ❖ Donation Drive still has some funding that is trickling in. To date we have raised \$6075.
 - ❖ PTO will provide cookies for the Fall party. Those can be picked up in the lunchroom on October 15.
 - ❖ Fun night is October 16th from 4-7p.
- New Business
 - ❖ Picture retakes is October 28th
 - ❖ Book Fair – dates had to be changed this year. They are Nov 29th – Dec 3rd. PTO will be offering a Books and Bagel morning at the school on Dec 4th. Our VP's will coordinate this effort.
 - ❖ Parent teacher conferences are Nov 16th from 3:40-8p, Nov 17th 3:40-5:40p (Kdg & 4), Nov 18th 3:40-8p, PTO will be providing a box lunch meal for the teachers on the 18th.
 - ❖ No school on Nov 24th.
 - ❖ COGAT testing for 3rd grade is the last week in October.
 - ❖ Jan PTO meeting will have Dr. Wendt there to discuss the new Elementary building, boundaries, Curriculum and Instruction Update, etc.
- Motions
 - ❖ No motions
- Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be November 8th at 6:30P.