

Korematsu Elementary PTO at Mace Ranch

(Parent Teacher Organization)
3100 Loyola Drive – Davis, CA 95618
<http://korematupto.org>

Meeting Minutes

Approved Dec 2, 2009

October 7, 2009

PTO board members present: Marc Ishisaka-Nolfi, President; Monica Reeves, vice president; Richard Reed, vice president; Betsy Salomon, treasurer. (Minutes by VP Rich).

Staff present: Principal Mary Ponce; teacher Sharyn Lieth.

Parents/participants: Joanne Ayers, Wes Hardaker, Sherry Heins, Selene Jackson, Susan Kirby, Christy Knutson, Elisa Levy, Kristen Mandelaris, Alicia Mattson, Ann Stevens, Laurie Williams, Manda Yeung.

Call to order

The meeting was called to order by President Marc at 7:03 pm, in the library.

Approval of minutes

The minutes of the Sept 3 meeting were reviewed. One minor typo corrected.
Motion/second/passed approved.

Principal and Teacher Report

- o Mary and Sharyn thanked KPTO for the Familya picnic. Students report they had a lot fun and enjoyed the trick roper.
- o Staff is very appreciative of the items purchased with Warren Hardaker's 800,000 point Campbell Soup label donation (~\$11,000 cash value). Joanne Ayers will email Wes Hardaker with a complete up-to-date list of items purchased. Playground equipment was among the items acquired – something that wears out quickly on the playground's asphalt surface; KPTO will wait until early next year to decide the items to purchase with KPTO's 200,000 points – depending on the needs of the school.

Fundraising Report

- o Chair Joanne Ayers will adjust the fundraising goals to better reflect what she thinks are attainable goals for the year.
- o Wes Hardaker discussed an idea for selling events photos via a password protected site. Principal Mary will provide Wes school district policy on photos of students.
- o A parent suggested Davis Diamond open gym as a fundraiser.
- o November will feature a Box Tops for Education promotion, with a gift card from Alphabet Moon.
- o Joanne will talk to Target about their donation program to schools.
- o See attached report.

Treasurer's Report

- o Current membership is 117.
- o Ms. Olmstead's 4th grade class won the pizza party for the membership drive with more than 50% participation.
- o See attached financial statements.

New/old business

KPTO Bylaw Amendments and Approval

- o Marc reviewed all proposed changes.

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- There was discussion about adding items to an agenda and making comments at general meetings.
- Three changes to the bylaws were made at the meeting:
 1. Article X, D: add after second sentence, “, subject to approval by the President.”
 2. Article XI, #B2: delete, “in excess of \$150”
 3. Article XI, #3: change to “\$50”
- Motion/second/passed to approve bylaws as changed/amended.

2009/2010 KPTO Budget

- Marc presented a draft budget in a new “balance sheet” format.
- Susan Kirby made a presentation about library funding (see attached).
- Members asked for proposed spending detail for the following:
 - Explorit Science Day and Explorit Science Night (and doing one or the other but not both).
 - Asian-Pacific Festival.
 - Garden and Science Garden.
- Members suggested the follow category/line items changes:
 - Separate library (Scholastic Book Fair and Calif. Young Readers) from non-library reading (Evening Reading Grant, Take Home Books, Reading Assembly).
 - Add Curriculum (Language Arts, Math) even if there are no funds budgeted.
 - Add Crocker Art Ark with no funding this year. Supporters will request a grant for 2010-11.
- Sharyn Lieth asked that we remember that some families are suffering economic difficulties as we make plans for fundraising.
- Wes Hardaker suggested that our requests for funds address very specific needs.
- Ann Stevens offered her help in developing a long-term strategic funding plan.
- Motion/second/passed to approve the budget as submitted, with the understanding that more detail will be forthcoming beginning at the next meeting, and that funding priorities may change as discussion continues. See attached budget.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm.

Next meeting

November 4, 7:00 pm, in the library

Attachments

1. Fundraising Report
2. Treasurer’s Report
3. Library statement from Susan Kirby