

FALL CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTSA 2.18.15
Board Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2007

Call to Order: Lori Hollasch, Co-President, called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. Proper notice of the meeting was given, a quorum was present and the Treasurer's Books were on hand and available for review.

Approval of Minutes from October 11, 2007 Board Meeting: Leslie Kellogg made a motion that the minutes from the October 11, 2007 Board of Directors Meeting be approved. Dan Schlotfeldt seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

Presidents' Report: Betsy Evensen, Co-President, went over the advertising guidelines and reminded chairpersons that the deadline for having committee news included in the Headline News is Tuesday of the week you want the information included. Please provide a three to four sentence summary of committee news to Betsy and Lori. There is no deadline or limit to committee information that can be included on the PTSA website though. Jennifer Curd does all of the layout work for the Headline News and Renee Gieseke does the copying and distribution. The Headline News is also available on the website.

Treasurer's Report: Gloria Fischer, Treasurer, announced that things are going well this year financially for the PTSA. This is due to a combination of factors, including the fact that the fundraising goals have all been met and the PTSA received the Discurin grant. In addition, some committee expenses are coming in under budget. As a result, there will be a few requests for additional funds presented. Lori Hollasch, Co-President, noted that the PTSA usually tries to spend all funds raised in the year the funds are received, unless certain funds are strategically earmarked for future areas. Lori announced that the PTSA intends to save some of the money raised this year in order to keep the literacy program going in the future after the Discurin grant funds are gone.

Principal's Report: **TLT Coffeehouse:** Dan Schlotfeldt announced that Katie Morris and Jan Miller conducted a successful TLT Coffeehouse on December 6, 2007 and that the reading buddies are making a positive difference in the school already. **Homework Club:** Dan announced that the Homework Club would start after vacation. The Club will be one day per week per grade level and will be staffed by one teacher and instructional assistant. The Club will serve 20-25 students on a referral basis and will take place before school. **Playground:** Dan stated that a new storage box has been installed for playground and Parents Play Date equipment and that PJ has the key. **Star Protocol:** Dan stated that the district is going to require its teachers to go through Star Protocol. Dan announced that a trainer in this program will be coming to train all FCE teachers on January 18, 2008. The program allows teachers to observe each other. The district will fund the observation model, which will allow teachers to go to other schools to observe other teachers in their grade level. **New Copiers:** FCE has two new copiers, which require a code to be used for copying. The PTSA will be provided with a code.

Learning Improvement Team Report: Jennifer Curd, PTSA LIT representative, reported on the results of the most recent LIT meeting. **WASL Prep Class:** The potential need for a WASL preparation class was discussed. **Math Club:** Mr. Uno is starting a math club that will take place during recess. He may request money from the PTSA for club prizes. **Extension and Remediation:** SES has this program already in place in which time is set aside each week to review old material and no new material is introduced. FCE is looking into implementing such a program and Cathy Paulus is going to work with Lori Shepard's class each Friday to provide extension and remediation.

Committee Reports:

-**Audit:** Robin Schmitt, chair of the Audit Committee, announced that the next audit is set for early January of 2008. It is a two hour process and Robin said that anyone who would like to participate is welcome.

-**Food Ball:** Betsy Evensen for Becky Davie and Susanne Foster, chairpersons. Betsy announced that the Food Ball is a great success and that 60% of the total Food Ball totals have come from FCE.

-**Playground Support:** Rebecca Russell, chair, announced that turnout at the first two Parents Play Dates was great. Rebecca requested that the Playground Support Committee be given a budget increase of \$500.00 to cover the costs of the new bin and new equipment. Cathy Renner made a motion that the Playground Support Committee's budget be increased by \$500.00. Terri Nwokeuku seconded the motion and the board approved the motion by vote.

-**Library Support:** Gloria Fischer for Meg Handy, chairperson of the Library Support Committee. Gloria announced that Meg Handy is requesting a \$600.00 increase to the Library Support budget in order to bring Gary Hague back again as requested by the teachers and to bring in Theresa Bateman. Tracy Egan made a motion that the Library Support budget be increased by \$600.00. Cathy Renner seconded the motion and the board approved the motion by vote.

-**Raffle:** Sandy Chapman, chair of the Raffle Committee, announced that this year's raffle will include a big theme basket put together by the fifth grade classes. Based on last year's PTSA survey feedback, the PTSA will have 10,000 tickets to sell for the raffle with a goal of selling 7,000. The raffle drawing will take place at the close of the teacher open house on January 17, 2008. The money the raffle raises will be attached to the ASB account.

-**Ice Cream Social:** Kimi Winter is this year's chairperson of the Ice Cream Social and a call for volunteers will be going out for this event.

-**Legislative:** Cathy Renner, chair of the Legislative Committee, presented an update on the following issues: **Simple Majority Proposition:** Cathy announced that this proposition has officially passed. **New School Bond:** A school board special session will be held tonight to take the final citizen comments on the new school bond. The school board will vote on the contents of the bond on December 18, 2007. **Focus Day:** This is set for February 13, 2008, in Olympia. **Valley Voters for Education:** Betsy Evensen is the PTSA liaison to the VVFE. The VVFE will have its kick-off meeting in January of 2008. The bond will most

likely be on the ballot on March 11, 2008. Betsy announced that FCE does not presently have any chairpersons on the VVFE.

-Science Fair: Lori Hollasch and Cathy Renner, chairpersons. Lori informed the board that plans for the Science Fair are under way. Dana Stairs is the faculty liaison for the Science Fair and all fifth graders will work on individual projects for the fair. The third and fourth graders will participate and will most likely have small group projects. The first and second grade classes will have class presentations. Lori requested that the board approve an increase to the Science Fair budget of \$1,000.00 to cover the costs of supplies, copying, ribbons and possible presentations by professional groups. Leslie Kellogg made a motion that the Science Fair budget be increased by \$1,000.00. Terri Nwokeuku seconded the motion and the board approved the motion by vote.

-Make It/Take It: Nicolle Scalise, chairperson, announced that the Make It/Take It Fair broke even and was a success.

-Nominating: Tracy Egan, chairperson, announced that requests for nominations for the 2008-2009 executive committee will be distributed on January 11, 2008 and will be due by January 23, 2008.

-Literacy Team: Terri Nwokeuku informed the board that the TLT coffeehouse held on December 6 focused on fluency and comprehension and was well attended. The Reading Buddy program is currently serving 40 students.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.