

PTO GENERAL MEETING

Monday, December 12, 2011

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM. Members present were Karine Picchietti, Dana Andrews, Molly Haworth, Brian Nallenweg, Sue Locke, Jill Stevens, Melinda-Taschetta Millane, Dr. Jan Wright, and Nichole Woodruff.

Secretary's Report: Brian Nallenweg made a motion to approve minutes from the November meeting. Dana Andrews made a second. All were in favor. The next PTO meeting is set for January 10, 2012. Plan is to vote on special appropriations and the "big item" purchase. Members will check out Meetingwizard.com to allow for an online vote tally.

1st Vice President's Report: Dana Andrews reported that Spirit Wear went well with a profit of \$204.00. The flannel pants were a popular item. Dana shared that the AGS Yearbook winner is Julian D. Congrats to Julian! The yearbook should be out by mid May. The next BIC meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2012.

2nd Vice President's Report: Molly Haworth reported that a committee has been formed for special appropriations. The plan is to wait to meet until after the holidays. Nichole Woodruff will provide follow-up with the staff. This appropriation will include Pedometers and tables.

Communication's Report: Melinda Taschetta-Millane reported that the deadline for the January Gazette is 12/16/11. She discussed the new messenger system being used---power school is now being utilized for this as only 60% of the AGS community is currently enrolled on messenger. The criteria for sending out information was reviewed.

Teacher Liaison's Report: Nichole Woodruff reported that CiCi's Night/Bell Ringing was an awesome success. On behalf of the staff she thanked everyone for the support with Winter Parties and all that is happening during busy December.

Treasurer's Report: Brian Nallenweg passed out the Financial Report to members. He reported that the November Gator Gold brought in \$220.00. Woodman's appears to be the big hit as we now have \$5,000

brought in by Woodman's. Brian stated that we had a good December for Gator Gold. Perhaps some of this success could be attributed to the fact that Gator Gold was sold at Movie Night. The December Movie Night was successful with \$650.00. Brian reported that we currently have \$38,217.00 in the bank with a few additional deposits still out there.

Classroom Support's Report: Jill Stevens reported that Winter Parties are coming together. Regarding the Fun Fair, the big ticket item this year will be an iPad 2. Jill stated that the committee has met for the Fun Fair, and it was decided that we will be out sourcing for it. Decorations are almost handled. Overall, Jill reports that plans for the Fun Fair are looking good.

Ways and Means Report: Sue Locke provided an overview of past and future AGS events. She reported that there was a good turn out for CiCi's---we did \$128.35. Sue is hunting down the check for Tom&Eddy's, and Panera brought in \$203.00.

President's Report: Karine provided an overview of the individual conversations she conducted with board members. Regarding the Boy Scout service project, we will continue to look for something.

Principal's Report: Dr. Jan Wright introduced the night's guest speakers.

New Business: There was discussion of new communication appearing on the website regarding the Courtyard. This included information on Gator Gardeners and their role. Gator Gardeners are a group of 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders who are interested in growing and maintaining a garden with an appreciation for the related wildlife. The children will help maintain the courtyard, plan new plants, do garden-type crafts, and integrate their efforts with science lessons in the classroom. Adult volunteers will be leading this group. Also, there will be means for interested adult volunteers to assist in the courtyard maintenance with a very flexible time commitment allowing for group or individual work.

Finally, in the new business was the night's technology presentation.

Adjournment: Brian Nallenweg made a motion to adjourn at 8:28PM. Dana Stevens made a second. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.