

PTA Board Meeting  
Loyal Heights Elementary School  
November 8, 2007

**Call to Order** at 7:02 PM by Mary Slater, President

**Present:** Mary Slater, Fay Shimada, Lori Monlux, Mia Cisek, Margie Balcos, Clover Codd, Janet Solan, Debbie Ulrich, LeAnne Brown, Mara Lim, Anne Forester, Shelley Imel, Jen Doherty, Susan Ovens, Kelly Holton, Jennifer Duval

**Guests:** Anne Dunn, Christie Most, Jennifer Collins-Friedrichs, Bruce Pritchard, Liz Schmidt

We met in the cafeteria for a program on the Sound Improvement Project. Bruce Pritchard gave a demonstration. Liz Schmidt is coordinating the project.

**Agenda:** Lori Monlux moves to approve minutes. This is seconded and approved.

**Approval of Minutes of October 18, 2007 meeting.**

Question: Library fund will liquidate after chairs are purchased. Will we buy books for the library?

Mia proposes that \$1322.22 be used to stock library from the Secret Garden book sale. We get a percentage of that sale back. This will be done after chairs are purchased.

Jen Doherty makes a motion to approve the above proposal. It is seconded and approved.

Shelley Imel moves to approve the minutes of Oct. 18 meeting. It is seconded and approved.

**Legislative:** Anne Forester

Passed out "Election Year Do's and Don't's"

**Fundraising:** Margie and Jen

Jogathon net is \$30,000. More may be coming in.

Sally Foster sales \$7,500-\$8,000 net

Auction is going along well with a strong committee. The goal is to have 300 items procured before Winter Break.

There is a new auction idea: Of the four pilot elementary schools for Writers' Workshop, one school cannot afford the supplies. There will be an opt- in program to help purchase books for Olympic Hills Elementary for Writers' Workshop.

**Volunteer Coordinators:** Shelley and Debbie

Holiday party is set for November 30.

**Communications:** Lori

Privacy issues for the website: From Beaver Tales on the Principal's and President's letters will go on the website. Last names of children never go on the website. When writing for BT, use only first name and last initial. Lori has put this policy into her Communications Coordinator notebook.

**Treasurer's Report:**Mia

The Playground Maintenance account money has been moved into the Money Market account.

**President's Report:** Mary

The office staff would like the BT to be photocopied off-site to cut down on photocopy congestion. Anne will get quotes and bring to meeting in January.

She would like to keep line 39 in the budget.

Upcoming dates: January 17 is Middle School Information Night at Whittier, January 22 is Parent Education Night at Loyal Heights.

**Jenny Collins-Friedrichs: Community Chest**

Jenny is visiting the board meeting tonight to talk about the community chest. How can we work together to avoid "donor fatigue"? Can we coordinate our efforts and map out what we are doing for the year?

Great idea, Jenny! We are going to try to coordinate for the rest of the year and beyond.

**Membership:** LeAnne

We currently have 361 PTA members. Three hundred eight two is full membership, so we are so close.

We have over \$800 in donations over and above the dues.

**Art Docents:**Kelly

There are many docents this year. One room has six!

There have been a few trainings this year. One was held at Space to Create. Experienced docents trained new docents, and it was a great experience.

There was a training at the Frye Museum on “Visual Thinking Strategies”.

There are more trainings lined up.

Starbucks on Market Street wants LH art in the shop.

There has been some Native American art donated to SPS. It is currently at the Stanford Center. Loyal Heights is going to house it for a few months in the library. The art docents will have training regarding the exhibit.

**Enrollment:** Kelly and Jen

All City K Fair is January 12.

We need parent help for packet assembly before that.

First tour is January 16. There will be only five tours this year.

**Principal’s Report:** Clover

Clover and a group of LH teachers went to NYC to study Writer’s Workshop. Where is the apostrophe in that word? Is it Writer’s Workshop, or is it Writers’ Workshop?

They went to PS 6 to their study school. Those teachers who went with Clover were Tricia, Jenny, Lindsay, Ellen and Sally. That sounds like a really fun group.

Another group will go in the Spring.

**New Business:**

None

**Announcements:**

Harvest Night is November 16. There will be a Secret Garden book sale.

Staff and teachers are invited to the holiday party.

Mara suggests baffles in the lunchroom before the sound system is put in because it affects lunch time noise, which is considerable.

Queen BeaVer goes from Jen to Susan. Congratulations, Susan. It is well deserved.

Meeting adjourned, to reconvene in 10 minutes at Zagi's.