

Alderwood PTA Meeting

October 27, 2009

- I. Call to Order- Meeting called to order at 8:46 a.m.
Above and Beyond Awards given to Kirsten Maeda and Linda Burns
- II. Approval of Minutes – Motion made to approve the May 2009 meeting minutes and the September 2009 meeting minutes. They are seconded and approved.
- III. Auditor’s Report – Janaki Santhiveeran See Attachment “A”. There is a motion made to approve the audit by Scott Gale. It is seconded by Nina Wu and approved by Rachel Swardstrom.
- IV. Teacher’s Report – We are 6 weeks into an already busy school year. Progress reports have gone out and this week is parent-teacher conferences. The book fair is going on right now. Things are moving in a positive direction. Thank you to all the parents for supporting the teachers so well!
- V. Financial Secretary Report – See Attachment “B”
- VI. Treasurer’s Report – See Attachment “C”
- VII. Principal’s Report – Mr. Horner
The Team Kids Program went off with a huge amount of success and we want to thank Dawn McCarty for all of her efforts in organizing the week. We also owe thanks to the students, Mr. Grubb and to Bernie for all of their hard work! See attachment “D”. We have received money from an anonymous donor that has helped us to purchase 17 document cameras and some laptops that are helping teachers’ and students alike. We are in the process of purchasing a camera and have also used the money that allows for more art lessons for K-6. There is a new way of decision making and consensus learning and a way of responding that is called RTI that the staff is working on and is learning about that helps communication between teachers and parents. It will be a big help! Red Ribbon Week is in full swing. Thank you to the Girl Scouts and Brownies for decorating the school so beautifully!
- VIII. Red Ribbon Week – Kirsten Maeda
The Girl Scout Troops helped to decorate the school this past weekend. We have pledge cards hanging around the school that encourage the kids to stay drug free. Pizza Delivery Night is on Thursday this week. The troop is also looking into recycling the ribbon to save money next year since the ribbon budget was \$180 this year.
- IX. PTA Website Overview – Joy Reece
See attachment “E”. We are currently working on the school website and are trying various things that will streamline communication between the school, PTA and the parents. We want everyone to be included! We are very excited about how the website will look!
- X. Reflections – Diane Kato
Alderwood has received 115 total entries. Kids are very excited about what they have accomplished. Thank you to the volunteers that worked so hard at displaying the entries in the multi-purpose room.
- XI. PTA Membership, Student Directory – Anita Chung
We have had a wonderful response for PTA membership this year. Classes that had 100% participation get a popsicle party. The directory will be handed out this Friday. Gift wrap (see attachment “F”). We are a little down in the numbers this year, but the overall response was good. There are other fundraisers available to schools but the gift wrap

- fundraiser is our best seller and historically it has provided our schools with a large amount of money. The economy has definitely had an effect on donations.
- XII. Family Fun Night – Anita Chung
Coming up November 6! We are still looking for volunteers and deciding what types of games and rides we would like to have. The “In- N-Out” Truck is coming to serve hamburgers and we are still getting volunteer sheets coming in.
- XIII. Adjournment – Motion is made to adjourn the meeting. It is seconded and approved at 9:56 a.m.

Attendance:

Janelle Mendez
Janaki Santhiveeran
Scott Gale
Shash Biswas
Nina Wu
Diane Kato
Susan Goldsmith
Gwynn Rosenthal
Kirsten Maeda
Cindy Vandemoortel
Ken Horner
Rachel Swardstrom
Anita Chung
Joy Reece
Linda Burns