

# Minutes for the Bradley PTO Meeting September 8, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm

**Meeting attendees:** Officers: Tina Hundley (President), Diane Miller (Vice-President), Melody Young (Secretary) Other members in attendance: Susan Olson, Sandy Vidosh, Leslie VanLaningham, Dara Ickes, Debbie Lomax, Mary Alpeter, Madeleine Nikolaus, Jennifer Jackson, Rosalie Williams, Denise Brown, Sandra Glasner, Asst. Principal Mike Starner, Cathy Daniel, Cathy Smith

**Introductions:** All attendees went around the room and introduced themselves

## Unfinished Business

Review of Budget

- We have official 501©(3) status and state recognition
- Orientation days and Building Dedication: Went well and we had lots of volunteers. Mr. Starner said we got rave reviews on this
- Judy Diehl said they are appreciative of the parents volunteering so far for parents in school
- Convocation Lunch-Fed 80-90 staff. Left over food went to the London Ohio Help House. The school nurse got leftover water, Staff lounge received leftover pop, left over cookies went to cookie day.
- Website: Is constantly being updated. Please review site and give any suggestions
- Should we reflect \$ for recycling bins in budget for donation and expense to purchase them?
- Benevolent \$ is in discretionary fund
  - Passing of Mr. Lanier: Note in regards to Benevolent fund and the PTO will send a card
  - Another girl lost her mother over the summer-possible Benevolent fund candidate

A motion was made by Sandy Glasner and seconded by Cathy Smith to approve the budget. Motion carried

## New Business

The ISPTO meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> is open to all

## Cookie Day

- Explanation was given by Madeleine Nikolaus. They have been doing it for 3 years at Darby, it is a way to say hello to the kids and enjoy the cookies.
- They ask for cookies to be individually wrapped and send in by the morning of the last Tuesday of the month. October's Cookie Day will be October 27th

## Market Day

- Made \$184.90 on 30 orders. Be sure to go to Marketday.com and pick Bradley High School when ordering.

## **Overview of PTO Committees:**

### **Benevolent Fund**

- The fund is set up for students that things come up that kids just can't afford.
- They created a panel including Mr. Steward, a PTO member and they decide who gets that money and they will do this throughout the year.
- This is geared towards students and not families
- A letter will go out to the PTO list and we will put on the web more information about this program.
- Question asked: Can we add Paypal to the website to accept donations?

### **Hospitality**

- They do 2 dinners a year. One on teacher conference night in November and February and get donations from the parents
- Leslie VanLaningham asked if we could stagger conference nights with Darby so parents with students in both schools can have them on different nights and be able to attend.

### **Parents in School**

- They are requesting help during the day for teachers.

### **Recycling Programs-Funding Factory and Cartridge World**

- Sandy Glasner gave a short presentation on the recycling program
- ~ 2500 was donated to have recycling bins in all classrooms
- Recycling bins are in the commons-they are on loan right now and we will apply for a grant in 2010 to get more money for more bins.
- She is trying to communicate with maintenance to coordinate recycling
- The School newspaper was asked to include recycling program in the next edition
- Need to get students involved with clubs and then get exposure in local papers
- Need more receptacles out at the stadium

### **Secretaries Day/OGT Mints**

- Both programs happen in the spring
- Parents will be contacted for donation of items to help with a small luncheon for the secretaries and a small appreciation gift
- Mint donations will be asked of the parents and they will be divided up among the testing classrooms to help the students stay more alert during test days.

### **Staff and Teacher Appreciation**

- This may be once a month?
- They ask parents to send an email to teachers showing appreciation
- PTO sends birthday cards to staff throughout the year
- Please send in ideas to PTO for staff, secretaries, administration and teachers

### **Student Recognition**

- Once a month teachers choose a student to recognize and the student gets a gift card from either BW3's or Donatos. The gift cards were donated

**Mr. Stewart Update**

- Thank you doesn't quite say enough to all of those who have helped with the opening of the school
- Open house is Wednesday night
- Monday is the first late start

Mary Alpeter made a motion to adjourn meeting seconded by Rosalie Williams. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm