

January 9, 2013

General PTO meeting

President's Report, Abbie Campsie-Haber:

1) Reviewed Night Out with Mr. Lydon.

a. In December: 30 children showed up; grossed 480 which was split with Mr. Lydon

b. Because of the success, it will be run again on February 2, 2013. First 50 children will be accepted.

c. One parent volunteer needed to run the night, sell snacks. In return for volunteering, your child will go free to the event.

2) Ski-Club: Jan 28<sup>th</sup> (no school on that Monday) and Feb 15<sup>th</sup> (Friday evening 3:30 -midnight) for grades 4-8.

a. Cost is \$ 170 for both trips includes rentals, lessons, bus fees (which is a coach bus).

b. Deadline for turning in forms is Monday 1-14-13. Forms are available from Parent Table in the lobby of main building.

3) POOL PROJECT Proposed and Discussed:

a. Our swimming pool is in need of repairs. Although there is nothing unsafe about the pool, Abbie showed some photos of the floor near the pool, tiles, etc. and could use more than to what the district attends.

b. The board has not made repairs to the pool since legally required to add a new drain. The board MAY paint but the district does not care for pools. The project would be considered a capital improvement project. Adam has asked for attention to the pool from the district, but has been told no. One attendee agreed to raise the issue further with the district (she has some experience with the district).

c. Discussion about the need for a pool (it is not NECESSARY) at Colfax ensued. Swimming is required because we have a pool. All students 3+ must swim. In the end, we'll proceed with estimates and fact finding.

d. Pool is used 5-7 periods/day. Thus, it is used more than other things supported by the PTO at Cx.

e. Abbie presented options for the finish around the pool:

1) Epoxy high gloss put over the cement \$7000-8000 for cleaning and painting

2) PVC finish is applied to the floor and is guaranteed for 15 years. - Approximately, \$3000-\$5000

Options for the pool itself

1) Retiling the pool—prohibitively expensive

2) PVC pool shell liner applied right over the tile—also 15 yr quarentee and

For approximately \$23000, we can accomplish the PVC options. Questions about the safety of PVC were raised and seconded.

Finally, the ideas of using some of the surplus we expect for the end of this school year (~\$15,000) plus the idea

Communications-Next Communicator will have valentine theme. Remember  
Shout outs for February

#### Fundraising-Darcy

- 1) Successful Appeal: 110 individuals responded (up from 85 last year)  
TOTAL RAISED to date: \$19,500!  
Donations are ALWAYS welcome, and if you want to contribute not, indicated in note to Darcy that it is for appeal and not P4P  
If you have a potential for matching gifts, please fill out any needed paperwork.
- 2) Party For Play is 2-16-13 7-11 pm  
Invitations were to be delivered via backpack today.  
Costs:Teacher/Staff: \$30  
Parents: \$45 until after 2/8/13 when increased to \$50  
raffles, silent and live auction, food and desserts,

#### Special Events-Ida

- 1) Movie date rescheduled; Costa Rica trip will be on 1/22/13
- 2) Ice skating night at Schenely Rink(free as family fun night; skate rental is only charge) 2/27/13
- 3) Colfax Coach Bingo will be on Sunday 1-13-12 at 1pm. Funds will support the middle level trip at the end of the year and is open to all middle-level children. All children are given the chance to work at the event to help raise money toward their trip (\$300 needed)
- 4) CARNAVAL will be Monday June 10<sup>th</sup> and big push will occur after PFP. If you want to be on a committee (games, prizes, int'l café, grill, community partners, international tents, set-up, clean-up)

#### Treasurer's Report

Ellie reviewed the budget. Copies are always available.

Jenny reviewed the use of ColfaxPTO.org for information, forms etc.