

**Snoqualmie Elementary School  
PTSA Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday February 9, 2010**

**Board Members Present:**

Deborah Doy, President	Cori Pflug, Principal
Ahn Lee Horn, Legislative Chair	Angela Markley, Co-Treasurer
Laurie Fitzpatrick, Executive Member	Kristy Brooks, Co-Treasurer
Monique Kruyt, Executive Member	Ali Paredes, Executive Member
Cathy Killian, Executive Member	Kim Ayars, Secretary
Cindy Hodgins, Staff Liasion	Robin Walbeck-Forrest, Co-VP Enrichment

There were no guests present.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:02 in the SES Library. The 01.21.10 Board Meeting minutes were reviewed. There were no corrections. Ahn Lee moved to approve the minutes, Laurie seconded. The minutes were approved via voice.

**Staff Member Presentation:** Cori Pflug described how Snoqualmie Elementary will be supporting the efforts in Haiti through a "Penny Caper" type fund raiser. An email went out last week to staff and students. Haiti will be an ongoing effort, with an emphasis the first week of each month. We are trying not to conflict with Jump Rope for Heart, so the next announcement will be first week in March with the goal is to continue the awareness of Haiti through the year. Our efforts will support Heiffer International and Red Cross. The PTSA will count the money, collected at the end of the week. Kristy reported that Coinstar reduces their fee only if there is at least \$1800 in revenue. Kim Ayars will check First Tech CU, Angela will check Cascade Bank, Robin will check Sno Valley Credit Union to see if they charge for counting coins. Laurie will go to each room and pick them up this Friday. Cindy will send an email out reminding students to participate. Ahn Lee suggested that we keep classes separate so each class knows their total. The consensus was to only report a grand total due to lack of time.

**Treasurer's Report:** There is \$91,997.44 cash on hand. We sold 22 more cookbooks from last meeting. Kristy reminded Robin that the strings after school program needs to complete a W9. We paid \$5,000 to academic goal support. Monique verified our bank statement.

**SVPTSA/Legislative Report:** The next Council meeting is 3/29, 6:30pm, at the District Office. Spring Training information is coming, with material coming from Audrey Bennett. The tentative date is Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Ahn Lee briefed us on the lawsuit situation in Federal Way, and will be going down to Olympia tomorrow to try and meet with Cheryl Pflug to pass additional education funding. Deb and Ahn Lee described a rass roots organization trying to establish a small high school in each city (Snoqualmie, North Bend, Fall City) by suggesting the district to consider a different model. The concern is that it will pull votes from the levy. An oppositional presence can be important, so please consider attending the next meetings on 2/14 and 3/6. More information about this organization can be found at [www.organizingforcommunityschools.org](http://www.organizingforcommunityschools.org) and [www.fairschoolfundingcoalition.org](http://www.fairschoolfundingcoalition.org)

**Teacher Grants:** Teacher grants for Megan Mesh and Dana Nohavec were approved via voice. Deb will send out an email to teachers reminding them their deadline to apply for a grant is quickly approaching.

**Grants:** Laurie reapplied for Lowe's grant and will also apply for the Home Depot grant.

### Old Business:

- **Math Night:** Everything looks ready to go!
- **Book Fair:** The book fair brought in \$20K for the library, which was an increase from \$15K last year. Laurie and Monique will be taking it on next year. Deb suggested we put a note in the next newsletter describing how the book fair supports the library.
- **Spaghetti Feed:** Huge success! There was \$1537 brought in which completed the money needed for Seabeck. Bulb sales are next, which should complete Seabeck fundraising efforts.
- **Turkey Trot Money:** Mr. Mac's email was reviewed where he mentioned a new piece of playground equipment twice. Kristy we suggested the use some of our reserves to help him buy a specific piece of equipment. Cindy suggested we save some of the Turkey Trot money for scholarships (also originally recommended by Mr. Mac) to Seabeck. We need to expect that the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class will grow and some of the Turkey Trot money will help us establish a reserve. Angela and Kristi will sit down with Mr. Mac to get his ideas on how the money can support Field Day.
- **Sales Tax on Popcorn:** Because we sell popcorn regularly, we need to register with the State and charge sales tax. This amounts to about \$150 a year. Kristy recommended we make the popcorn \$0.25 "including tax". (Rather than just \$0.25.)
- **Spring Lego Class:** Robin asked the board if we want a spring Lego class. The consensus was yes, but requested an advanced class. Robin will see what is available. Deb mentioned that we should ask parents to send a note letting the teacher know the child is enrolled in class. Robin has this requirement on the contract, and will verify that the instructors are checking with the office when children are missing.
- **Jamba Juice:** Ali will get to it this week.
- **Humanitarian Dentist:** Tabled until next week.

### New Business:

- **Additional Art Class:** Dolly offered an additional art class for the students at SES. The cost would be \$300-\$500 for supplies and \$20/hour for the instructor. The board decided that we have enough going on at the school but will keep this in mind for the future.
- **Awards:** We received the 100% trained achievement award and Bronze level of membership. We got M&M's!
- **Council Meeting/PTSA Storage:** Deb described the storage units options for PTSA's and after a brief discussion, we don't feel that we need it. We do need to clean up the teacher staff area. Please swing by and see if there's anything that can be put away.
- **Art & Science Night:** Unfortunately, we didn't get Salmon lady. The board gave Cathy several suggestions which she will follow up on.
- **SpiritWear for Kindergarten:** We will wait until we find out about any boundary changes before we proceed.
- **Display Case:** Math Night will replace the Book Fair. Mari has been contacted.
- **"How Big is a Hormone":** Eight SES parents attended and found it very informative and engaging. Deb encouraged people to attend the next session.
- **Volunteers:** SES is looking for volunteers for Half Hour of Power. The commitment is once a week for 30 minutes and focuses on helping kids get up to speed on math facts.
- **Snoqualmie Valley Schools Foundation Fund Raiser:** The fund raiser is scheduled for March 25<sup>th</sup> and has the theme "From Small Hands to Big Plans". See Deb if you want to help with centerpieces.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:14.**