Butler Middle School PTSA Board Meeting, October 1, 2014

Present: Tami Schwendiman, Brandis Smith, Doug Graham, Holli Young, Heather Passey, Cindy Grange, Lois Kristensen, Andrea Moore, Becky Noel, Devi Fournier, Tatiana Grant

Next Meeting: November 5 @ 1:30 pm; Tami Schwendiman will be the substitute secretary at this meeting, as Andrea Moore will be absent.

Minutes:

Treasurer report (Cindy Grange reporting):

• Spent $110 on envelopes
• Spent $400 on the marque
• Balance $11,709
SEC (Brandis Smith reporting):

- October 9 - "Meet the Candidates" night, Jordan High School, 6:30-8:30 pm; volunteers and donated cookies needed
- October 22 - Legislative conference

SCC (Tami Schwendiman reporting):

- Directs school improvement plan and trust-land money investments
- Additional members/volunteers needed
• Next meeting: Oct 22 @ 4 pm (meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month)

Calendar and announcements (Doug Graham reporting):

• Needed: 2 math aides (part time)
  • 17 hrs per week; ~ $10 per hour; two shifts available (2 full days per week and then the afternoons of M, T, W, H)

• October 6 - Explore/ACT Testing

• October 7 and 9 - Parent-Teacher Conference. Teacher dinner on October 7.
  • Parents will bring in desserts.
  • Set-up will begin on Tuesday, October 7, after school in B-hall (6th grade). Volunteers needed.

• October 9 - "Meet the Candidates" night, Jordan High School, 6:30-8:30 pm.

• October 8 - Picture retakes

• October 10 - No school

• October 11 - Divisional XC meet @ Eastmont, 9 am

• October 16-17 - Fall recess

• October 22 - SCC meeting

• October 22 - SEC legislative conference

• October 23 - Progress reports sent home with students

• October 23 - "Pre" Reality Town

• October 24 - Reality Town

• October 27-31 - Red Ribbon Week, concluding with dress-up day on the 31st.

• October 28 - Mix-it Up Day

• October 29 - Vision screening

• November 5 - Students to attend play at Brighton HS @ 9 am, volunteers requested.

Counseling Center (Tatiana Grant reporting):
• September completed tasks:
  • "Intro to 6th graders"
  • Schedule changes
  • Attended UAE conference September 12
  • "Utah Futures" with 7th graders
  • Reviewed Brighton HS registration process for transitioning students to improve process in 2015 school year

• October 1 - "Girl-Girl Conference" with 22 students attending to hear 7 guest speakers

• October 23 - "Pre" Reality Town where district representative comes in to prepare students.

• October 24 - Reality Town; career and technical education; 10th year at Butler. Banker volunteers secured; will be recruiting additional parent volunteers with PTSA help. Remember that parent volunteers need to receive clearance to participate.

• November 3-6 - Preparing college-ready plans with students. 6th graders do "smart goals."

• CCRs begin in November for 8th graders, as well as Arena scheduling for Brighton HS.

Membership drive (Tami Schwendiman reporting):

• Pandas = winning team

• Breakfast with Paula Logan and Dr. Briscoe, October 15 @ 8 am

• Chick-fil-A will cater the event with breakfast biscuits and fruit cups

• Will alert the Cottonwood Heights press about the event.

• Current membership total = 200

• Brainstormed ways to increase membership, such as tying it to the memory book, giving various incentives, offering family discounts, and coordinating it with an event.

• Membership total count provides benefits to the PTSA; for example, based on total membership, will receive complimentary registration to the annual PTSA conference.
Spirit wear (Holli Young reporting):

- Spirit wear available during Parent Teacher Conferences.
- Volunteers needed; will use "sign-up genius."
- Pre-paid have not yet arrived. May issue refunds to families.

Red Ribbon Week, Oct 27-31 (Heather Passey reporting):

- **Theme:** "A happy me is drug and bully free"
- Different activity or theme for each day of the week. See proposed schedule below.
- Assembly date still undetermined. Doug Graham will investigate dates. Assembly may feature accapella group, "Revoiced," for discounted rate of $800.
- Andrea will assist Heather with the banner preparation.
- "Mix it up" on October 28. May incorporate this day into the week with sport activity, birth "day" lunch tables, or other activity.
Memory Book (Becky Noel reporting):

- Selected 10-member student team.
- Staff members should be required to be PTSA members.

Filled position:

- Inclusivity and diversity chair = Devi Fournier

Positions needed:
• Community partnerships = Brandis (temporary) (this position does family dinner nights)
• Memberships = Tami (temporary)
• Newsletter = open (one student is interested)