

PTO Minutes from Oct 13, 2009

*Attendance: Lisa Lee	Gerriann Armstrong	Susan Baker
Diane Weidert	Andrea Skranak	Charleen Carr
Lisa Kassa	Hilary McGovern	Sarah Burton
Bev Lund	Chrisit Husk	Carol Ellis
Matthew Henshaw		

*Meeting began at 6:35pm

*Minutes were read with a correction that PTO meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of the month, not the 1st.

*Treasures report was read 2009/10 beginning balance \$4430.00 and ending balance as of Sept 30, 2009 of \$12321.29.

*No old business to report

*New Business:

- Lisa Casa requested \$179.00 plus tax for 2 signs indicating the parking lot is not a drop off or pick up zone for students. Motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously. We should receive the signs within 2 weeks.
- Carol Ellis reported on the progress of the flower garden in front of the Whitman sign. District requires the work be done by them. Cost of labor for two men and the machine for 2 hours is approximately \$150.00. Bulbs will need to be purchased as well as soil to enrich the planting area. Andrea will be the contact person and be in touch with Carol. Carol will report back in November for a vote to fund the project.
- Bev Lund requested the Nov and Dec PTO meetings to be held to 30 minutes to accommodate the parent meetings to be held concerning the new report cards. All attending agreed.
- Diane brought up the issue of the electronic reader board. Strong possibility that the board will be included in the bond that was just passed. Motion was made to table the setting aside funds for an electronic reader board until further notice, seconded, and passed unanimously.
- Mr. Henshaw requested about \$215.00 from the PTO to help set up a new student incentive program at Whitman. Money would be used to purchase a helium tank and balloons. Balloons could be used for other events and paid for by the event sponsors. Motion was made to give the funds, seconded, and passed unanimously.
- Christi Husk who is the current PTO vice president announced both her children are attending Longfellow but would like to remain in her position and is currently employed by Whitman as well. All agreed to keep her on.
- Hilary requested a \$100.00 donation to Active4Youth, which sponsored the cross country program that had several Whitman students participate in. Motion was made to donate the \$100.00, seconded, and passed unanimously.
- Gerriann brought up the idea of purchasing a Cricket machine for the workroom to replace the di-cut machine already in place. Cost of the Cricket machine and 10 cartridges would be in the area of \$400.00. She will bring the machine and give a demonstration in Nov. To replace the roller and pad to the current machine would be \$50. Vote will be called for at next meeting.

*Meeting ended at 7:40pm