CANDIA PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION General Membership Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2013

OPENING: The meeting was called to order at 7:06pm by Tammy Bowles.

ATTENDEES:

An attendance list is available. Nine people were in attendance.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

- **After School Craft** The permission slips were in the folders for distribution May 10th. They are due the week of the 13th and the craft will be April 21-23rd.
- Website Update / Skydrive No updates.
- Ag Day Update This was the 6th Agriculture Day. Nancy Maloney gave a brief recap of what happened. Nancy had several new participants and the program gets such good publicity that she has been getting calls from people who want to participate. The 4H Club, run by Pattie Davis, came this year with the home school students. Surveys from presenters said the kids were polite and asked good questions. She has not gotten any negative responses. Nancy wanted to know if the PTO wanted to continue it next year. Jodi Hedstrom said she would support it. Nancy said she would like to have help organizing it Andrea Peach said she would be willing to help with the intent to take it over eventually. Several other people expressed an interest to help with different skills (computer v. vendor contact).
- Movie Night The next movie night date is scheduled for May 10th. Jodi has been running it for several years and she is looking for someone else to take over chairing this committee. Jodi mentioned that this year was difficult in terms of scheduling because of weather and competition for use of the gym.
- **Healthy Kids Night** This event has been cancelled. Laura Briggs volunteered to chair this event next year.
- Fundraising Issues and School Nutrition Policy Kathy Allen gave a summary of the issue to the regular members. The group discussed the issue. The consensus of the members present was to question what exactly the nutrition policy covered. The information relayed so far was not specific enough to plan events properly. Kathy will set up a meeting with Bob St. Cyr, Jodi Hedstrom, Joyce Bedard, and Tammy Bowles to discuss the issue further.
- Request for Snack (Summer Reading Program) Kathy read the email from Ms. Heller for ice cream. The group is willing to provide funding for the supplies and we think it should less than \$50 which does not need board approval. Jodi will talk to Ms. Heller.
- Artist in Residence Jodi is trying to get a dance troop or instructor for the last week of the year. Jodi has suggested Nathan Walker for next year. He is a sculptor and would work with all grades. His cost is \$3,500. Jodi would like to get a small committee together to gather ideas and prepare a schedule.
- Officer Positions / Elections Andrea Peach volunteered to take on the secretary position. Nancy Diehle volunteered to take on the President Elect position. Joyce nominated Andrea to be secretary; Jen seconded the motion. Vote was taken and all agreed. Andrea nominated Nancy Diehle to be President Elect; Jen seconded the motion. Vote was taken and all agreed.

- **Spirit Day** Jodi updated those on the committee about what food is usually provided for this event. She won't be in town; she has ordered food. Joyce volunteered to be in charge of food.
- **Annual Gift** Last year the PTO purchased music software. Joyce will talk to Ms. Gleason regarding annual gift. Jodi will also ask Bob what they need.
- **Town Wide Yard Sale** Suggestion to have the teachers put up a display board while the community comes in for the yard-sale. Nancy mentioned that she had sent an email to the teachers and has gotten very little response. Jodi made the suggestion that she draft a general blast email and send it to Patty Beaulieu.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the April 2013 meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: No update since last month.

ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Kathy Allen