

Crockett Elementary School

PTO Meeting

Wednesday, September 2, 2009 9:30am

Attendees: Susan Vanston, Jane Riglen, Lisa Franz, Lisa Mays, Patricia Jorgenson, Trish Andrews, Michelle Suggs, Rachel Besancon, Lisa Jewell, Kathy Hatton, Melissa Pigman, Lisa Higgins, Vickie Pewitt, Wendy Harris, Heather Barton, Kristine Hopfensperger, Julie Lavigne, Michelle Baron, Michele Brown, Leslie Crabtree, Joanna Blood, Jodie Sims, Debbie Roth, Laura Hedley, Lynette Vogt, Kim Gleason, Candi Galbreath, Maria Mendez, Andrea Hall, Jay Kalvala, Leigh Jameson, Robert Bohrer, Gabrina Charles

- 1. Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by Susan Vanston, President. Susan welcomed all of the newcomers to Crockett. Introductions were made of the PTO officers for this year. All of the PTO officers were present.
- 2. Approval of Minutes.** Minutes from the May meeting were circulated. No corrections were necessary. A motion for the approval of the minutes was made by Lisa Mays. A second motion was made by Julie Lavigne.
- 3. Principals Report.** Mr. Bohrer welcomed everyone to Crockett and to the new school year. The response was great to the Welcome Back Event and the teachers loved it. Reading assessments begin this week and go through 9/16. Parents may or may not get a response/notice from the teacher.

Please remember to use PARENT CONNECTION to view grades for 3rd through 5th grades. Teachers have been asked to have grades updated in Parent Connection on the 15th and 30th of each month. Kindergarten through 2nd grade don't receive letter grades, but Parent Connection will be available for their teachers and parents in the spring semester. More information to follow.

Mr.Bohrer asked Trish Walker, CES Media Representative and Teaching Assistant to speak regarding rule changes for media releases. The form in the CES Survival Handbook is for the student to opt in or out of all media- class, yearbook, CES news, class rosters, etc. The form that parents completed at open house was for class roster information, class newsletters and e-mails only. When signing up for PTO Manager, the option is given for the family's information NOT to be included in the CES directory. If you're unsure about the form or have questions, please contact Trish Walker at TrishW@wcs.edu.

4. Officers Reports.

SUSAN VANSON, President Thanked everyone for participating in the first Welcome Back event. September 4 is the deadline to order class T-shirts, yearbooks, and sign-up for PTO Manager if you want to be included in the CES directory. On the September Lunch Menu it appears as if Spirit Week is this week, it is the week of September 7.

PATRICIA JORGENSEN, Treasurer August financials and budget were distributed. Cash on Hand as of August 26, 2009 is \$58,276.26. Each line item was briefly described for newcomers. Mr. Bohrer added there is a committee at CES working on the school budget for next year. He tries to be very aware of how government money and PTO money is spent. It is his responsibility to be a good steward of the funds Crockett has access to.

LISA MAYS, Vice President - Projects PTO Manager allows database creation of parent interests to go to those specific chairpersons. PTO Manager is a new tool CES is using this year and Lisa is excited to have it at Crockett. Crockett is great because of all of the great parent volunteers here. Spirit Week is a next week, and it is a culmination of Invest in Your Child. Other projects the PTO is involved in (to name a few) are Skate Parties, Fun Festivals, Talent Show, help for the Art and Music teachers, and the Newcomers Breakfast (this morning).

TRISH ANDREWS, Fund Raising Chair We're in the middle of Invest in Your Child. As of today, we're two cards short of having 50% response received school-wide. Invest is geared towards everyone's needs, giving now, committing for later, or giving in another way.

5. Announcements.

Spirit Week Next week, Tuesday through Friday. Ending with Family Fun Night on September 11 at 6pm. Bring a blanket or chairs for your family.

Parent Teacher Conferences September 29. There will be a half day of school for students.

Next PTO Meeting Wednesday, October 7 at 9:30. There will be two evening PTO meetings this year, in November and March.

6. Adjournment. Patricia Jorgensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. A second motion was made by Michelle Suggs.