

Urbandale Middle School PTO Meeting

May 11, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Linda Wilson.

April minutes were approved with a correction under "New Business" to reference the next PTO meeting as May 11—not May 5.

Introductions of those in attendance were given.

Treasurer's report was approved.

Old Business:

- Parent volunteers are still needed for the 8th grade party/picnic on Friday, May 29. Eight have responded but we still need about twice that many.
- Teacher appreciation lunch was well received and appreciated by staff at UMS.
- Laura Hanson and Laurie Raker (8th grade social studies/language arts teachers) came to express thanks and show us photos, a poster, and thank you notes regarding the Civil War day that the PTO paid for last week. It was a huge success! A suggestion was made to mention this specifically when we solicit funds for the fundraiser next year.

New Business:

- Election of PTO officers took place. The Board will consist of President Linda Wilson, Treasurer Cheryl Koele, and Co-Secretaries Karyl Behrens and Jennifer Hulse.
- Mr. Meyer had three thank you violets for PTO members who won't have children at UMS next year: Kate Foreman, Jane Harper and Patty VanScoy.
- There are 6 retirements from UMS this year: Dale Bohall, John Casebolt, Arlinn Gushee, Wendy Hutchison, Laurie Raker and Sandy Todd. The PTO approved purchasing each of them a \$20 gift card to Merle Hay Mall along with a thank you card. Linda will put these items in their mailboxes.

Principal Update:

- Mr. Meyer talked about other staff changes at UMS in addition to the retirements and about the staff that will replace them. There will

be a fulltime TAG teacher next year. The "Vice Principal" title will change to "Dean of Students".

Meeting adjourned at 5:45pm.