

Urbandale Middle School PTO Meeting
September 14, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Linda Wilson.

Introductions of those in attendance were given.

August minutes were approved with a correction under "New Business" of Rachelle Bower to Rachelle Bower.

Treasurer's report was approved.

Old Business:

- Thank you notes from Sandi Todd and Wendy Hutchison who retired at the end of last school year and 8th grade teachers for the Civil War re-enactment.
- President Linda Wilson gave a verbal thank you to all who have helped since the beginning of the school year including those who helped students with lockers, bleacher parents, those who helped with open houses, honors recognition, clothing sales, teacher appreciation and any others that were not mentioned.
- QSP magazine sales our new fund raiser this year raised an estimated \$40,000 with an expected 40% plus bonus which will be split between band/chorus and our PTO fund.
- 7th and 8th grade Honor Students were recognized with an ice cream social. Laura Hennessey, Honor Recognition committee chair requested \$500.00 towards Honor's recognition which was approved.

New Business:

- Carla Madsen, Family and Consumer Sciences teacher needs volunteers to help with sewing class.
- A request was made by Campus Life in the amount of \$250.00 for food for students on late start days and that request was approved.
- Teacher Appreciation Co-chairs Deb Bremser and Jamie Trunnel reported that Hy-Vee has agreed to provide the entire meal for one night of conferences and asked for parent volunteers to help provide food and/or time for set up and clean up for the other night of conferences. Also need volunteers for monthly teacher appreciation.

- Bleacher parents still needed for home football games: September 25 and October 9 and 16.
- Dean of Students Lara Justmann gave an update on “Schools in Need of Assistance.” Students have been identified and all teachers involved with each of those students have worked together to set up a recovery plan for each student.
- Elaine Voyce, Book Fair Chair gave an update on the upcoming book fair at conferences October 27 through November 4, 2009. Requested \$100.00 for decorations and supplies for teacher preview night which was approved.
- Clothing Sales committee chair Mary Lazard was not in attendance but President Linda Wilson opened the floor for discussion of ways we could make our clothing visible at sporting events, etc. in order to try to sell items that were pre-ordered. Several good suggestions were made and there will be some follow up made to see if that is something that can be done.

Principal Update:

- Mr. Meyer was not in attendance and Dean of Students Lara Justmann did not have any updates to present.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Next PTO meeting on October 12 at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Karyl Behrens, UMS PTO Secretary