



02/03/15

### **PTA Meeting – Cedar Creek**

*In attendance: Angela Fite, Dodi McSpurren, Kristi Bynum, Kristi Techau, Carrie Cooper, Rachel Rooney, Carla Grider, Ginny Blumhorst, Marcey Gulley, Matt Vega, Mia Fulson, Rochelle Buseck, and Sonci Bleckinger*

Discussion items are listed below.

#### **Principal's Report – Angela Fite for Mrs. Opie**

- **No Tax Increase Bond** – Cedar Creek would like to bring awareness to this bond issue in that it will add value directly to our school and community.

***“The Board of Education unanimously approved placement of a \$40 million no-tax-increase bond issue on the April 7<sup>th</sup> ballot. The no-tax-increase is designed to positively impact each R-7 student and all schools and includes the following***

- *Construction of new Summit Technology Academy/Missouri Innovation Campus, a new facility that will save money, replace leased space with a district-owned facility and provide a modernized learning environment for R-7 students.*
  - *School improvements in the areas of classroom instruction, safety and security, health and wellness, ADA renovations and special education.*
  - *Playground safety upgrades to all elementary schools' soft play areas and replacing deteriorated play equipment*
  - *Maintenance projects at numerous sites to protect our investment in school facilities.”*
- **Parent University** – Event Saturday, February 28, 8:30 – 11:30 am at Paradise Park. This is a LS Cares sponsored workshop focused on youth ages 4 through 12 on the subject of technology and kids. Session Titles include: Raising Digital Youth, Safety and Technology Use, Setting Limits in a No Limit World and Family Fun Alternatives to Technology. For \$10.00 Paradise Park party hosts will take your children to the Edutainment Center and Foam Factory while you attend workshop sessions.

#### **Treasurer's Report (Carla Grider) –**

- **Boxtops** - Money came in for this and last seasons' Boxtops totaling \$1600 which is down slightly. Looking into more awareness to ensure future success. Next contest is February 9 – 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Mrs. Miller's smartboard was recently replaced.
- Our balance of \$26,000 is a good mid-year position.



### Old Business (Angela Fite)

- **Family Fitness Night** – Nominating committee has been formed:
  - **Kristi Ware, Jen Serres, Dodi McSpurren**
  - Our nominating committee will fill upcoming board positions (2 year terms).
  - **Open positions: 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Treasurer, Historian**
- **Yearbook** – 1-32 pages approved by Mrs. Opie. Contracted for 451 copies. YTD we have sold 356. Additional flyers are being made and should be delivered by 02/13 for order reminders.
- **Hyvee Shop Week** – Past shop week made \$850 in gift cards. With the event's success, Angela has locked in the same dates for next year's fundraising efforts. Several cards may still be available for purchase. Contact Carla Grider if interested.
- **Sarpino's Night** – Not very successful, however, typical. Looking into pushing to later in the year and adding more awareness.
- **Board Positions** – Need to have new officers submitted by March 31. Will finalize next meeting.
- **February District Board Meeting** – Meeting will be a vendor fair February 10<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 8pm at Highland Park Elementary. The fair will include many different fundraising businesses. Angela would like any interested in attending to contact her. **Cedar Creek was recognized at the meeting for increased PTA membership for 2014/15 school year. Way to go parents!!**

### New Business (Angela Fite)

- **Dad's Breakfast March 13 – Sonci Bleckinger** – Looking to fill volunteer positions. Currently about 22 spots available with two shifts: 6:45 – 8am and 8 – 9:15am. Sonci will send email to procure help. Our goal is to net ~\$350 this year.
- **Variety Show March 27 – Rochelle Buseck** – Rochelle expressed concern regarding the timing of the event with it immediately following Spring Break. Eager to get the word out ahead of time with the hope for a successful turnout.
- **Carnival April 24 – Christina Calderon** – Christina is proposing a new carnival, free of admission for CCE students with various booths, sponsors, a craft fair, food vendors, misc. Angela is asking for solid commitments from vendors and sponsors for a more definitive board vote. Looking forward to hearing more about a new carnival from Christina.



- **Spring Fundraiser – Carrie Cooper** – Work on event will begin mid March. Little concern raised about program’s success given several running fundraisers at the same time of year, but going ahead as planned. Neosho Gardens is chosen vendor contact has been made.
- **Watchdog Program** – Putting feelers out for interest in a watch dog like program to involve Dad’s in the childrens’ school day.
- **Wizards** – Fundraising possibility for next year. Teachers v Wizards basketball team with charge for admittance.
- **Car Rider Line Feedback** – thoughts on how well line is running? Complaints have been made about the long line. Maybe a big family name sign on dashboard would help line run through quicker.