

**Antonia Crater Elementary School
PTO/Cougar Club
General Meeting**

November 6, 2012 @ 6:00pm
Crater Library with Child supervision in Cafeteria

Meeting called to order at 6:01pm

Welcome and Introductions ~ Leslie Thurman PTO President

Attendance: Mr. Milner, Leslie Thurman, Lisa Carlson, Stephanie Carstensen, Nichole Chamberlin, Jeff Denton, Ciaran Hynes, Wyatt Chamberlin, Jenn Bass, Nancy Aldredge, April Hammar, Anna Beaudry, Kara Rayburn

Principal: Mr. Milner

- School Update –
Canned food drive until next Friday: Ducks vs Beavers, Civil War
Focus this year is on new standards. Working hard on new assessments that come with the new program. WRITE/Smarter Balanced. Very different skills, more problem solving rather than computation. Needing to stretch curriculum next 2 years to get the kids prepared. Higher level assessments.

Crater Events and Program Reports:

- Spirit Wear ~ Leslie Thurman for Lisa Flores.
Should be available in 2 weeks.
- Fall Book Fair ~ Stephanie Carstensen for Rodney Birch leading.
“Everyone is a Star.” 11/16 before school. 11/19 after school and during conference time. Backpack info will be coming home soon. Online ordering is available, but not until after the 12th.
- Teacher Appreciation ~ Christine Birch.
Baked potato bar. 11/19 Monday until 8pm. Dinner 5:00-5:45. Teachers come and go. Conferences 12-8pm 11/19
- Candy Drive ~ Nicole Chamberlin.
Take to Wilson Orthodontics 11/7 after school
- District Parent Club ~ Jennifer Fisher
Bring a list of questions you may have now or have had at one time as a parent navigating the education system
Please educate yourself by attending one of the Listening Sessions with Superintendent.
- Picture Retakes ~ November 29th
2 volunteers needed

PTO Business

- Teacher Wish List Program – Leslie Thurman.
Instead of giving teachers Christmas gifts, they make a list of classroom needs and we sign up to provide those things. Jennifer Fisher will coordinate this

- Financial Report ~ Lisa Carlson, Treasurer
 - Current balance: \$29,980.98
 - Unexpected expense from last year's playground-Parr Lumber. Put in Grants fund at this point.
 - Literacy – we've gone over budget already
 - Stephanie Carstensen moved a new line item to the budget be added called Facilities Management for \$766.40 to cover the overage for the playground. Kara Rayburn seconded. Motion passed.
 - Tax Preparation – not yet begun. Due 12/1 to accountant.
 - Fun Run total - \$13,187.60 with roughly \$700 expenditures. We will likely not make budget on this event.
- Open Coordinator positions ~ Stephanie Carstensen.
 - School Tool Box Coordinator not needed
 - Stephanie Carstensen moved we discontinue the School Tool Box coordinator. Lisa Carlson seconded. Motion passed.
 - Grand Lunch Coordinator – Spring, 3/6. Students invite “grand” person
 - Spring Book Fair Coordinator
- Open Board Positions/ Nominations
 - Treasurer Elect -
 - Vice President -
- Volunteer Hours Counter~ Leslie Thurman/Stephanie Carstensen
 - Grace Bolinger from office is looking for someone to once a month look at sign in sheets from volunteers and tally hours.
- First grade vision screening on November 27th @ 8:45 AM.
 - 6 volunteers needed
- Future allocation of funds~ Leslie Thurman
 - Ideas: Technology upgrades, SMART Boards, more computers for lab, Carnival money has all gone to the playground. Now that we have that done, we need to designate where the money goes.

Parent Conversations on 21st Century Learning with Superintendent Kym LeBlanc-Esparza.

- Wednesday, November 14 @ 1-2pm at Mountain View Middle School
- Thursday, November 15 @ 5:30 – 6:30pm at Chehalem Valley Middle School
- Thursday, November 29 @ 5:30-6:30pm at Newberg High School
- Monday, December 3 @ 5:30 – 6:30 pm at Mountain View Middle School

Meeting adjourned at 7:02pm.