

Adams Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2011

ATTENDEES: Laurie Huegerich, Tracey Baden, Amy Kelly, Wendie Gaborsky, Julie Pike, Jennifer Lewis, Kyle Schen, Teresa Wittry, Suzi Pierce, Tricia Holt, Stephanie DeMordaunt, Jane Childers, Barb Smith, Barb Austin, Cathy Knipe, JT Robinson (Papa John's Pizza)

MINUTES

- Welcome—Teresa Wittry
- Approval of August minutes—*Tracey Baden motioned to approve, Amy Kelly seconded the motion*
- State of the School—Mr. Jeff Roberts
 - Politics
 - On September 13, The Boise School District approved the levy amount of \$14 million/year, for the next 5 years
 - Adams Elementary will receive \$7 per average household; this will be used to keep the high-quality programs we have now; none of the money goes towards administration or expansion programs
 - Mr. Roberts is available for discussion on this matter
 - Funding requests for 2011-2012
 - CPS (a technology tool used by teachers to assess student learning); funds needed to purchase Reader boards for 4th, 5th, and 6th grades; current “A, B, C” response sets will be handed down to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades
 - Adams library: has not received any funding in 4 years
 - Science field trip or overnight trip for 6th graders at end of year
 - Supplement the Adams technology budget: Adams classroom technology budget is very slim this year; needed for such things as updating and/or repairing Smartboards
 - Adams classroom updates
 - Adams offers accelerated 7th grade math for 6th graders, and accelerated 6th grade math for 5th graders; prepares students to excel at junior high and high school
- Papa John's Fundraiser Opportunity—J.T. Robinson (representative from Papa John's)
 - Select 1 day for fundraiser; 20% of all orders at any Papa John's in Boise area will be donated back to the school, as long as the name “Adams” is mentioned; \$100-\$150 average elementary school profit for 1-day pizza fundraiser
- Art Update—Stephanie DeMordaunt
 - Are we doing the “Empty Bowl Project” this year? *Cathy Knipe motioned that we replace the Empty Bowl Project with a food drive as our community service project, Tracey Baden seconded the motion. Mr. Roberts stated that he would take the lead on the community service project.*
 - In 2010, charged \$10/bowl; \$3,327 total proceeds, \$1,638 expenses, final donation of \$1,689 to Idaho Food Bank

- Art Budget Request (to be funded by PTO, same budgets as 2010)
 - \$1,000 classroom budget (\$50/classroom)
 - \$5,000 art fund (for additional art needs, such as repairs to the art kiln)
 - \$100/class art auction budget
- Committee Update—Jennifer Lewis
 - Need parent volunteers for the Running Club
 - Suggested participating in National Walk-to-School Day on October 5; Adams has challenges with inconsistent sidewalks and crosswalks; Walk-to-School Day denied
 - Suggested September 27 or 29 for the Bike Rodeo; Mr. Roberts asked board to pick a date farther in the future
- Next Steps
 - Mr. Roberts will email the PTO board the best and worst case financial estimates for funding requests prior to the next PTO board meeting