# Carpenter PTC Meeting Minutes 

Thursday, March 12, 2015

Call to Order: Rebecca Denton, 7:06pm

Welcome/Introductions: Rebecca Denton, President Introduce Board members

Review/Approval of Minutes: Amber Harris, Secretary Motion was made by Penny Robertson Second motion made by John Petrycia

Principal's Message: Mr. Weldon
Blessing in a backpack hosted penny war. Carpenter students are the CHAMPIONS SECOND year in a row! We made: 2,398.00!! Over 13,000 raised throughout our district.
$2^{\text {nd }}$ grade concert was this week. Thank you Mr. Cooper and $2^{\text {nd }}$ graders for a successful concert.
$5^{\text {th }}$ grade is next week.
Kindergarten information night was $3 / 11$. Went well. Thank you to all the parent volunteers that attended and those that spoke. Lottery is next Thursday, March, 19th at the Board office.
March is reading month: LO staff members have come in and read.
Contest to read 150,000 as a school. Extra recess from Mr. Weldon if the kids reach their goal.
New state test is after Spring Break. M-STEP test is online and is replacement for MEAP. All tests are online. M-STEP link available for parents: on district home page; link on the side, so you can see sample items and tests. Online tools for the testing as well. Each grade level has a 3 week test period; April-June. This is NOT consistent over 3 weeks. Certain days each week, only a few hours at a time. Approximately 6-8 hours of TOTAL testing over the 3 weeks per grade level. Some teachers are using up to an hour each week currently for prep.

Treasurer's Report: Heather Reid

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## Committee Updates:

## A. School Assemblies - Ann Blizzard

Done for the year; Brainstormers came in for February.

## B. Family Activities - open

March is reading month. Family reading night March $25^{\text {th }}$. Forms were sent out to RSVP. FREE EVENT for you and your family!! April: TBD
C. Box Tops - Penny Robertson

Please try and use sheet that was sent home, which gets us 5.00 per page. Students will be entered into a raffle for prizes. 479.80 will be our next check.

## D. Apples for Students - Amber Harris

Go to our local Hollywood and mention your school. We earn points towards electronics or supplies for the school. This opportunity will end in April, and will not begin again until September. Mr. Weldon will be able to order from a catalog based on our point totals. We will keep you up to date on the details of what we receive.

## E. Coke Rewards-Amber Harris

New system: we earn cash for all coke rewards. Please create an account at www.mycokerewards.com and donate your points to our school. (Remember carpenter is listed under zip code 48359). If you do not want to enter the codes, please drop them off in the hallway near the lost and found. We earn cash now towards our general fund.
F. Scrip Program - Heather Reid

We will be doing an online order soon. Contact Heather Reid for questions. There are also some gift cards available for immediate pick up in the office.
G. Staff Appreciation-Marie Lawless

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Without our teachers, we wouldn't have excellent students! For that reason we have a great committee that does some wonderful things for our staff.
January: Hot Cocoa bar
February: nothing (off for two weeks)
March: March madness
April: Sign up genius for food for conferences
May: staff appreciation luncheon Cinco De Mayo theme from
Chipotle
H. Restaurant Night - Melissa Barthel

Culvers: March 30th
Old Detroit Bar and Grille: April TBD
May and June TBA
I. Spiritwear - Rebecca Denton
J. Holiday Gift Shop - Tara Novak
K. Student Directory - Melissa Barthel

Myschoolanywhere.com. 313 students are signed on. If you still would like to add your information, please contact Melissa Barthel at Melissa.barthel@yahoo.com. We are interested in your information, even if you do not want details online.
L. Kindergarten preview - n/a
M. FALL Fun Run- John Petrycia

9/11: is next year's fun run date
N. Spirit Sticks-Lori Schulte

Designate a day to sell them once we can consistently order new ones. Looking forward to ordering more in the near future. First, we will be selling Peeps for Easter.
O. Labels for education: Penny Robertson

Please send in your Campbell's labels. Try and make sure they are clean, dry and cut for easy handling. This easy fundraiser earns us gift cards towards the discretion of the PTC (ex: food, supplies, paper, teacher needs). We were also recently able to order 5 containers of 48 count chalk for the playground from this program.

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## New Business:

PTC is placing an order for a class set of IPads, carts and cases. This will cost the PTC $\$ 13,600.00$. It was brought to our attention that parents would be willing to make monetary donations if they knew the money was going to "IPad fund". More information to follow. This will allow classrooms to check them out and use them for writing assignments, class projects and will free up the technology lab for another class as well.

We are willing and open to doing more fundraising. In order to do more fundraising, we need more volunteers.
Discussed Market day; Rebecca is going to talk to another school regarding pros and cons.
Melissa Barthel brought up new opportunity for scrapbook night at the school or possibly a local hotel.
All ideas are going to be looked into and more information will be provided at our next meeting.

Called to adjourn: 841 pm
1 st motion: Charlene McVety
$2^{\text {nd }}$ motion: Rebecca Denton

Next meetings are scheduled for:
April 16th
May 14th

