

Lawton Elementary School PTA General Meeting – Thursday, October 20, 2011

Meeting Minutes

- Diana Deen welcomed meeting attendees.
- Umpqua Bank presented a \$100 donation to Lawton Elementary for Maddie Champion's award winning drawing submitted recently in a contest held by the bank.
- Diana Deen presented the new candidates to the PTA Board (Sarah Terry (Co-President) and Kathleen Bernard (Recording Secretary)) and called for a vote. The motion to appoint these two board members was made, seconded, and passed with no objections.
- Principal Christine Helm spoke briefly, communicating reasons for her job change, expressing appreciation and saying goodbye. The PTA presented Principal Helm with a Thank You basket as a token of appreciation for her service to Lawton.
- Dr. Neil Gerrans, Interim Principal of Lawton Elementary was introduced and presented a powerpoint outlining his Background, Beliefs and Commitments as a Principal. The powerpoint will be provided for inclusion in the minutes. Dr. Gerrans then took questions from the audience.
- Education Director Nancy Coogan spoke briefly on the principal hiring process in general and the timeline for same.
- Lisa Blau gave an update on the Budget. Innisbrook raised \$4000. Move A Thon raised \$22,000 and only 45% of the envelopes have been returned so far. We're hoping for \$100% return rate, regardless of the amount contributed. Our Spring fundraiser has not been planned yet and has a budgeted income of \$42,000.
- Ramona Hattendorf gave a membership update (189 families so far) and spoke briefly re: the Families and Education Levy and education funding issues.

Handouts:

- Agenda
- Who Knew ?? (information about the PTA and the tasks undertaken so far this year, as well as upcoming events)
- Treasurer's Report (7/1/2011 – 10/7/2011)
- Flyer on Families and Education Levy
- Flyer on PTA National Standards for Family-School Partnerships