

Medea Creek Middle School
PFC Executive Board Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2006

Keyla Treitman, Medea Creek Middle School Parent Faculty Club President, called the Board meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Rose Covert, co-treasurer, and seconded by Keyla, to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2005 PFC board meeting. All approved.

President's Report: Keyla Treitman reported on the monthly Superintendent's meeting. Tony Knight had spoken about the major Friends of Oak Park fundraiser, the Wellness Committee, and the school district's facilities master plan. The Friends of Oak Park plan to have a golf tournament on March 20th, chaired by Lori Yacobian. She is looking for volunteers to assist her. They plan to have a silent auction, changing from the live auction of last year. The goal of Friends of Oak Park Schools is to support the elementary and middle school music programs and also retain a counselor at the high school. Their next priority is to have a science specialist for the elementary schools. Amanda Bagheri mentioned a father of a student at MCMS is a golfing pro and with the help of others will start a golf club at MCMS. Keyla reported Tony Knight is looking for a volunteer from the school to help with the monthly meetings on the district's facilities master plan. It will take place on the last Monday of each month from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. The next PFC meeting is February 2nd.

Fundraising: Lisa Phillips reported the book fair along with fundraising connected with the two restaurants Pick-Up Sticks and La Salsa totaled \$104.

No Frills: Lisa said Jean Keaster continues to do a great job on this. Jean passed out some additional letters at the winter music concert. The money deposited to date is \$24,000. One hundred eighty families have participated. The No Frills plaque should be ready to be placed in the school office later in January. Jean is also working on a full contributors list for thank you's. She is working on corporate matching funds, which take a long time. Maria Powell mentioned a custom-made banner to promote No Frills, which Maria purchased, will be ready Friday.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Rose Covert presented a new report which compares fundraiser projects from last year to this year. She reported that the PFC-purchased computers came in and were installed over the winter break. The teachers are most appreciative. Forty-six computers have been purchased for \$70,000. The PFC board approved \$81,000 for these items. The digital cameras have come in. Mrs. Flores, a parent here, will donate a tree to replace one blown down in the recent storm. Keyla asked about reaching parents via the newsletter who may be connected to certain companies and services which would be interested in offering their specialties to the school. Amanda said the school wants to support those connected to the school. Lisa said this goes for services, as well, such as an electrician used by the school whom is from Oak Park. Keyla spoke about the Oak Park Foundation policy standards for competitive bids which state more than one bid must be obtained. Terri Baklayan moved to approve, and Barbara Schwartz seconded, the treasurer's report.

Principal's report: Vice Principal Amanda Bagheri reported that upcoming events include: the winter dance is January 20 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. with the theme "Winter in Manhattan." On January 25th eighth graders will be getting a letter encouraging students and parents to attend a meeting where the topic will be "Make Healthy Peer Choices and Healthy Life Choices." The group putting on this program is the same team which performed "Nightmare on Puberty Street" last year. The

message is conveyed by actors performing vignettes that communicate how to make good choices in life. SEAC's Abilities Awareness Fair in eighth grade P.E. takes place January 26 and 27. There will be fun but meaningful interactive activities. Keyla said SEAC is also looking for volunteers for a 1 ? hour window. January 31st is the first day of the new semester. The Geography Bee takes place today at 3:00 p.m. in the library. February 2nd is the Spelling Bee. In February there will be an astro-camp and other wonderful activities. Around the first week of February the school will have a simulation of a lock down drill. Jump for the Heart will take place on March 2nd. Open House will be May 18th. Health and Fitness Week is March 22. Amanda spoke about a national mandate for every school district to develop a wellness policy. She is providing a survey for parent participation. There will be a forum held February 16th which will give people a chance to get updates on where our district is on developing its policy. Amanda would like the surveys back by January 20th. Barbara inquired about the success of attracting out-of-district families to the school last year. Amanda reported it was successful, explaining that it was necessary to attract such families to counteract declining enrollment. Amanda said she has already given some tours of the school this year. The internet has changed this project, as well, making it easier for families to learn about great school districts. Amanda received a call from a family in Ohio which learned about the school via the internet. Amanda said many of the parents have agreed to sponsor a Chinese New Year to be held during the first week of February.

Open House: Sue Siegel said she is chairing the Open House Dinner and Raffle. She reported that last year the school had a 25 percent increase in fundraising at this event over the previous year. Sue wants to look at making the event more time friendly so working parents can come out for dinner. Last year the event raised around \$4,000. Maria Powell contributed \$1,000 to the food last year. Keyla suggested starting the committees by the end of this month. Sue is collecting baskets for the raffle.

See's Candies: Debbie Gerber reported we will have an Easter time fundraiser this year. Easter is April 16th and fundraising packets will go to teachers by March 9th. Orders are due back on March 20th so they may be placed by March 24th. Order pick up will be April 4th.

Decorate tiles: Keyla reported a lot of the tiles had been painted. There are more than 40 tiles. Amanda said they are coming along nicely and the program is well organized. We are not getting new orders, however. Amanda said we are not quite caught up yet with the backlog on this project, saying each tile takes three coats of paint. Keyla asked if this program should be continued and Amanda felt we should try to keep it going.

eScrip: Keyla said we had talked about a mid-year campaign and that she has a person to head this up, however it was decided it is not effective to do this mid-year. We will revamp our eScrip registration campaign to try to get parents to sign up additional family members at that time.

Community Service: Keyla reported Santa Comes to Agoura went smoothly. Toys for Tots did not go as smoothly due to the marines not showing up the first day of the campaign. The Battered Women's Shelter drive will be January 23-27th.

Volunteers: Rose reported that there were problems with volunteers not being committed to their shift in the front office. Terri sent an e-mail to correct this. The Awareness Fair needs about 40 volunteers.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Recorded by PFC secretary Barbara Schwartz

Attendance: Keyla Treitman, Amanda Bagheri, Lisa Phillips, Rose Covert, Barbara Schwartz, Ruty Levy, Maria Powell, Debbie Gerber, Sue Siegel, Maureen Frey