

**Medea Creek Middle School**  
**PFC Executive Board Meeting Minutes**  
**November 1, 2007**

Keyla Treitman, Medea Creek Middle School Parent Faculty Club President, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

**President's Report:** Keyla gave recognition and thanks to PFC chairpeople, including Maureen Frey, Leslie Cohen and Laura Rosen for getting the No Frills campaign letters out. Keyla also thanked Loretta Brown for her work with the See's Candy campaign. Thanks were given to Dana Mertz for researching and purchasing ice cream that meets district nutrition standards and may be sold after school. Keyla also thanked Connie Khacherian (**Kellogg?**) for afterschool snacks.

The fall wishlist was approved by the executive board and purchasing has begun.

**Treasurer's Report:** Co-treasurer Marcia Gordon requested all chairpeople balance their individual fundraiser monies and approve bills for payment before submitting them to the treasurers. Marcia will speak to each chairperson regarding this. Wishlist purchase orders have been coming in and items have been ordered. Rose Covert moved, Barbara Schwartz seconded, approval of the treasurer's report.

**Principal's Report:** Brad Benioff reported that visiting headmasters from England would be touring the school next week as part of the school's status as a blue ribbon school. The school is planning to have a breakfast to honor local veterans in honor of Veteran's Day. There will be a flag raising ceremony during the nutrition period to honor veterans, as well. Grades will be posted online for the upcoming progress report. Keyla will include an announcement about this in the e-communication. The Zangle grade book is in operation and some teachers will begin to use this. There is no school on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Novemberfest will take place on November 16<sup>th</sup>. The Turkey Bowl, a football game of teachers versus students, is coming up. A special program on internet safety will be held November 29<sup>th</sup>. Brad is going forward with the re-fencing of the school. The Site Council will support this with a \$1,000 donation. The bid is around \$6,000. This will secure portions of the campus that are now open.

A parent had questions about bullying and how the administration handles reporting of these situations. Brad discussed confidentiality that occurs and also discussed the school's obligations in handling reported information. Brad also mentioned that some of the school's biggest problems involve cell phone harassment. He feels a large component of handling these issues is parent information and involvement. He foresees communicating via webcasts for parents, utilizing some of the new technology available to the school. Marcia Gordon mentioned a consultant who conducts training sessions on promoting respectful behavior and will share the information with Brad.

**Directory:** Rose Covert reported the directory is at the printer. She is awaiting artwork for the cover from the winning student. The directories will be distributed through the classroom to assist with getting them home.

**No Frills:** No chairpeople were present. The PFC will aim to have one member of the committee present each month to report on response in the campaign, comparison to previous month and year, how many families are participating, levels of participation and dollar amount.

**See's Candy:** The campaign will start November 5<sup>th</sup> and candy distribution will take place December 4<sup>th</sup> in the teacher's lounge.

**Jog-a-Thon:** The Jog-a-Thon will take place during health and wellness week in April.

**Open House:** Keyla spoke with chairperson Linda Cohen and they plan to have the first Open House meeting November 8 at 9 a.m.

**Ice Cream:** Efforts continue on finding products to sell that meet the district nutrition standards. Dana will check out the financial feasibility of smoothies from The Tomato Patch Yogurt store that do not contain high fructose corn syrup.

**Newsletter:** Editor Karen Sephton reported the deadline for the next issue is Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. She also reports \$600 in new ads came in.

**Volunteers:** Chairperson Shari Agapiou reported the new copy machines are in. She is establishing two shifts per day to work in the copy room.

**Novemberfest:** Gail Orens is in touch with Mr. White. There will be only one volunteer shift this year.

**Toys for Tots:** Keyla is talking with the Marines. The drive will be held December 10 through the 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Internet Safety Program:** The guest speaker presentation will take place on November 29<sup>th</sup>. This is a PTO sponsored event. The MCMS PFC has asked the other PTO's for \$100 each to jointly fund this event. There will be two daytime sessions for students and an evening session for parents from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

**Jump for the Heart:** Chairperson Susan Berman will get together with Coach Crum to set a time for this event.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Recorded by PFC secretary Barbara Schwartz

Attendance: Brad Benioff, Keyla Treitman, Marcia Gordon, Barbara Schwartz, Rose Covert, Karen Sephton, Shari Agapiou