May 10, 2012 SMPTO Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order/Welcome

The board with the exception of Susan Ritter were present. Mrs. Trostle attended as Teacher Representative.

II. Principal Reports

- A. Mrs. Adams thanked SMPTO for the teacher appreciation luncheon and for the hard work for a successful May Fair. 4th grade has a field trip next week to the Capitol and 5th grade is going on a rescheduled field trip to Camp Thompson.
- B. Mr. Boley dittoed Mrs. Adams' thanks to SMPTO. 3rd graders are going on a field trip regarding the Underground Railroad and Kindergarten is going on a field trip to the Hershey Story museum. The author of Mockingbird is coming to Rice for a visit and book signing. On May 25th, the 3rd graders will "Bubble Over" with a field trip to the bowling alley/skating rink. The school, due to scheduling received a 20% discount. Mrs. Williams runs this event. On May 31st is the volunteer breakfast held at Rice. Mrs. Adams added Forge Ahead Day is scheduled for June 6th. Mr. Barrick is working on setting up a panel of 4th graders to greet current 3rd graders on their tour of IFEC scheduled for May 31st.

In addition, it was mentioned for parents to attend the bi-monthly school board meetings. In addition, it was suggested that the teacher appreciation gifts given this year (thumbprint trees completed by the teachers' students) in the future include the remaining support teachers on staff. Finally, Mrs. Piro and Mrs. Sadler will each be taking maternity leave in the Fall of 2012 and Micky McClain is retiring.

III. Treasurer's Report

We grossed \$6,946.98 for May Fair. We are currently running with a \$3,000 profit. The inflatable vendor was cheaper and better and attendance was good thus resulting in good ticket sales. The used book sale was down slightly but the bake sale was up. SMPTO currently has a balance of \$40,521.71. Donations for Brian's Boys are still

coming in. SMPTO sold more spirit gear, purchased a camera for Mrs. Kuhn and renewed our Time to Sign Up website. We paid for teacher appreciation gifts and raised \$12,809 in Gertrude Hawk candy sales. We issued new/rewrote by-laws that were previously voted on and approved. We grossed in the past year \$98,000 but had \$83,000 in expenses. The second/spring candy sale was beneficial. We sought tax exempt status from the IRS and through the PA Department of State Bureau of Charitable Organizations to be tax exempt. We should receive our gaming license once those things are approved and the license is good for one year.

IV. Chair Committee Reports

- A. May Fair-SMPTO is seeking to create a committee to start planning the 2013 event. . It was also noted that Morgan Earnst was the winner of SMPTO's May Fair volunteer drawing. Earnst won a \$100 Target gift card.
- B. Karns Fundraising-still waiting for a total from our fundraiser.
- C. Box Tops-Meryl noted Rice/IFEC have been participating in the box top program since 2005. This is Meryls' third year and she has seen success each year. To date both schools raised \$9098 in box top monies!
- V. Recognition to our departing officer-Meredith Rauhut
- VI. SMPTO Summer Plans

 Working on a newsletter and a giving tree idea.
- VII. Adjournment

 Have a nice summer and see you in Fall 2012!