Cougar Council Meeting Minutes 13 September 2011 General Board Meeting

The First General Board Meeting of the 2011-2012 Cougar Council PTSO of Central Academy High School met in the Media Center on 13 September 2011. The meeting was called to order by President Elissa Sturdivant. Members Present were: Adam Dailey, Christa Dailey, Elissa Sturdivant, Karen Morgul, Jan Cochran, Felicia Howie, Deb Watts, Agnes Florian, Deb Christensen and Teresa Edwards. Dr. Poole's wife was having surgery so he was unable to attend our meeting.

President Elissa Sturdivant welcomed all members and led introductions in order to meet each member in the room. We were thrilled to meet Jan Cochran and Felicia Howie and welcome them into our Cougar Council Family.

Teresa Edwards read the **Secretary's Report** of an informal Executive Board Meeting that was held June 25. The minutes were accepted by unanimous vote, following a motion by Adam Dailey to accept them, and a second by Jan Cochran.

President Elissa Sturdivant commented on the minutes, that Open House was a great success and that Dr. Poole had been agreeable to the PTSO plan for the 2011-2012 school year when we met with him over the summer. Adam Dailey reported that the audit, which is required by PTSO by-laws and by UCPS, was completed by his mother within the deadline because the school that was supposed to audit our records never contacted CATA.

Christa Dailey distributed the **Treasurer's Report**, noting that our balance after new memberships and costs for the Teacher Breakfast was \$673.84. The treasurer's report was accepted by unanimous vote, after a motion by Teresa Edwards and a second by Deb Watts.

Elissa Sturdivant requested that we use a "Request for Reimbursement Form" in the future for fiscal accountability. Several members mentioned that they had an electronic copy, which they would email to Elissa .

Adam and Christa Dailey reported that they have met with Dr. Poole on plans for **Senior Activities**. Until the Site Based Management team meets, they cannot request that the Seniors pay dues to help cover Senior Activities. The Site Based Team has not yet been elected by the staff. Deb Christensen mentioned that the School Improvement Plan is due to UCPS by October 1. Deb Watts mentioned that last year's Seniors felt that they were not rewarded as they had wished. Much pre-planning is required for Senior Week.

Christa Dailey reported that **PTSO Enrollment** included twenty-five new members from Open House, and one additional member afterwards. Action Item for Teresa Edwards: send email to all members on our email list and remind them to send in their dues and enrollment form.

Teacher Birthdays have been assigned to PTSO by Dr. Poole. Birthdays are celebrated on the first Wednesday of each month, at the 8:00am Staff Meeting. Cougar Council has been requested to bring in a one-half sheet cake for that staff meeting, as well as a birthday card for each teacher. Just Chillin' will provide coupons for gifts. Since we have very little budget, the members decided to share in bringing the cakes.

August – Elissa Sturdivant September – Agnes Florian October – Teresa Edwards November – Felicia Howie December – Karen Morgul January – Adam and Christa Dailey February – Teresa Edwards March – Jan Cochran April – Elissa Sturdivant May – Deb Watts June/July – Dailey's In lieu of a **Welcome Party** for Dr. Poole, again because we have little budget at this time, Teresa Edwards volunteered to bring him a "Welcome to CATA" & "Happy Birthday" Cheesecake to celebrate September 23.

PTSO CALENDAR

• Yard Sale October 15th

Just Chillin
 Brown Derby
 3rd Thursday 4-10
 3rd Wednesday5-8pm

Teacher Luncheon December 16th
 Bus Driver Appreciation March 16th

Womanless Beauty Pageant March 24 6:30 pm

Jan Cochran mentioned the possibility of having a Pumpkin Carving Contest, will bring form and details to next meeting.

Formulation/Review of Committees:

➤ Hospitality - Agnes Florian

Membership/Volunteer Committee Jan Cochran, Christa Dailey, Teresa Edwards

➤ Senior Committee – Deb Watts, Adam and Christa Dailey

➤ Communication Committee – Felicia Howie, Jan Cochran, Deb Christensen

➤ Teacher Appreciation - Christa Dailey

➤ Beautification Committee – Teresa Edwards (Shelly Pentecost and Kortney Kopchick)

Elissa Sturdivant reminded the PTSO Board that our goal is to streamline as individual amenities and work as one body, each having an assigned task for upcoming events, so as not to double up on effort or expenses. Deb Watts mentioned that everyone tends to do what they do best, and that generally works out.

A motion to adjourn was made by Elissa Sturdivant at 8:45pm, and seconded by Adam Dailey. No one argued.
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Next meeting of General Board will be Tuesday, October 11th at CATA.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa Edwards, PTSO Secretary