

**Mabel Paine Elementary School - PTA
Association Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2008**

Call to Order: The association meeting of the Mabel Paine Elementary School PTA was called to order by Liz Colacion, president, at 9:37 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.

In Attendance: Liz Colacion, Monica Nava, Lisa Erickson, Wendy Donnell, Carolyn Provenzano, Monica Nava, Catherine Rhoads, Patty DiTolla, Christine Olmstead, Pamela Rohan, Steve Cockrell, Steve Zietlow, Toni Moore, Jacqui Ogilvie-Keilty, Cari Menches, Denise Franklyn, Stacey Nichols, Mayra Luedtke, Cyndi Ralston, Penny Good, Andrea Findly

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the September 16, 2008 meeting were distributed, reviewed and discussed. Wendy Donnell, secretary, made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected for spelling, Monica Nava seconded, no discussion, motion carries.

PTA Year End Audit: Jacqui Ogilvie-Keilty passed around the completed audit dated 1-1-08 – 6-30-08 for everyone to review and discuss (see attached). Jacqui Ogilvie-Keilty made a motion to accept the audit as presented. Patti DiTolla seconded the motion, no discussion, motion carries.

Principal's Report (presented by Patti DiTolla for Mrs. Staack): The school hired Mrs. Cindy Ricketson as our new part time MIND Institute music teacher. She has extensive experience in music and has gone through all the needed training for the program.

Mrs. Staack is requesting that the next PTA president meet with her next year to discuss the focus of technology funds now that the MIND Institute program has been fully implemented.

Target's "Take Charge of Education" program distributes funds to the school twice a year. The last funds received were \$308.95. This money will be added to our school supply budget to supplement classroom material.

The new Mabel Paine website, www.mabelpaine.com is up and running. Setup and maintenance fees are being paid with MAA funds that are earmarked for technology. The MAA funds also pay for our schools accelerated reading program. Teacher's websites can be accessed through the district website www.pylusd.org.

There will be a new report card format this year that will be presented to the parents at the parent/teacher conferences in November.

Financial Reports: Carolyn Provenzano, treasurer, presented and reviewed the Treasurer's Report dated September 30, 2008 (see attached). September warrants to be paid were presented (see attached) and discussed. Carolyn made a motion to approve the September 30, 2008 Treasurer's Report and September warrants as presented, Andrea Findly seconded, no discussion, motion carries.

Committee Reports:

Red Ribbon Week: Catherine Rhoads, Chairperson, reported that Red Ribbon Week was underway and going well. Volunteers decorated the campus with red ribbons on Sunday, October 19th. She passed out the a schedule of events to the teachers and put up a “Pledge To Say No To Drugs” sign for the students to sign (made by the Boys and Girls Club). The teacher’s doors were being decorated and will be judged on Friday, October 24th.

Jog-A-Thon: Penny Good and Cyndi Ralston, Co-Chairs, reported that as of Monday, October 20th over \$12,700 had been raised. The goal set for this year was \$18,000. More money was expected to come in and an updated total would be given at the next meeting. The PTA made \$274 in sign sales. Instead of t-shirts, this year they decided to give every student a “Mabel Paine Mustang” water bottle filled with misc. food coupons, free Camelot passes and bracelet.

Box Tops: Andrea Findly, Chairperson, passed out a flyer that will be sent home informing parents of the different ways they can help earn money for our school. She discussed Box Tops, Campbell’s Labels for Education, the RED card from Target and Escrip. Box Top and Target money comes in twice a year. The Campbell’s program gives points and these points are used to buy things from their catalogue. All of this information will be on our new school website www.mabelpaine.com.

Recycling Program: Cyndi Ralston, Chairperson, is exploring different options. We would like to begin by recycling paper, ink cartridges and cell phones.

Reflections Program: Lisa Erickson, Chairperson, reported that the deadline for students to turn in entries was October 24th. The judging will take place on Monday, October 27th. All participants will be presented a ribbon and various prizes at our schools next awards assembly in November.

Memory Book: Mayra Luedtke and Stacey Nichols, Co-Chairs, reported that the memory book will be all digital this year. They sent out a flyer for pre-sales and requested all pictures be downloaded through the school’s website. Liz reported that \$500 in unused money previously earmarked for the Art Fusion program will be used to purchase disposal cameras for the teachers to use for memory book pictures.

Community Liaison Report: Toni Moore attended the Superintendent’s Community Advisory Council meeting on October 20th and reported the following:

- Rose Drive Elementary raised 20,000 at their jog-a-thon.
- The District Band Pageant will be on Wednesday, November 5th, 7:00 p.m. at Bradford Stadium in Placentia.
- Yorba Linda High School Update: The new high school will open the fall of 2009 to freshman and sophomore classes only. The school mascot will be the Mustangs and the school colors will be red, navy blue and crimson. A boundary meeting will be held at the ESC building on November 13th and at other various locations throughout the district during November. The finalized boundaries will be published in February 2009. Dave Flynn will be the new principal (he comes from Esperanza High School).

New Business:

Liz Colacion reported that she met with our Council Parliamentarian to discuss proper By-Law procedures. After a committee reviews and makes any changes to the by-laws, they must be sent to the State for approval.

Liz also reported that Mabel Paine met the PTA Membership Challenge Award by increasing membership by 5% last 2007-2008 school year. PTA is the largest children's advocacy group in the United States. Our 4th District PTA had 178,618 volunteer hours last year. Mabel Paine currently has 186 members to date.

Carolyn Provenzano was thanked for submitting all required paperwork for our tax returns.

We were all reminded to please sign in at the front office whenever on campus. It's important to know who is on campus at all times and also important to track all of our volunteer hours for the historian's reports.

The list of 2008-2009 Chair Positions was read aloud by Wendy Donnell (see attached). All chairs were ratified at the earlier Board Meeting.

Open Forum:

Mrs. DiTolla expressed interest in having Mabel Paine represented in the Yorba Linda Fiesta Days Parade held every October. We discussed past years entries and agreed to form a committee to organize an entry for next year's parade.

Mrs. DiTolla requested that all flyers going home in Thursday folders be put in the teacher's boxes by Wednesday morning.

Meeting Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Donnell

Wendy Donnell, Secretary
Mabel Paine PTA

Next PTA Meeting: Tuesday, November 18, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.