

# Mathews PTA Board Meeting

## December 14, 2009

In Attendance:  
Elizabeth Breston  
Tim Tierney  
Ivanna Kern  
Renaë Alsbrook  
JJ Baskin  
Patricia Salcher  
Amy Kinkade  
Ruthann Rushing

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 am.  
Minutes were approved from last meeting.

### **I. Presidents Report**

- a. There are several events coming up over the next month:
  - i. NYE Parade meet at 5:30 to walk w/ Mathews float
  - ii. Science night will be on Thurs. Jan 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - iii. State of Mathews and Fine Arts Clinic
  - iv. Math night will be Thurs. Feb 18<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Outside booths for Math and Science night need to be scheduled about 6 months in advance because they are often booked.
- c. School Directory is online accessible by using the password on PTA's passcode on the PTA card.
- d. The Hall of Honor for the MFE will be on March 26<sup>th</sup>, the Spring Performance Fundraiser might be scheduled for the same day.
- e. Tim Tierney will look into the Alamo's Rolling Roadshow to see if we could use that venue for Mathew event.
- f. The MFE needs some additional information for the Mathews 360 website.

### **II. Treasurers Report**

- a. Mangia Pizza expense is coming up for the Fourth grade fundraiser in the amount of \$1,030.
- b. Aim grants were all awarded, and will be distributed soon for a total of \$1,900.
- c. Document Cameras are expected to cost \$3,192.
- d. There is a small change in the Octoberama net to 25,078 after the receipt of credit cards funds, receipt of replacement funds for returned checks, a donation from Owana, and the sale of a Silent Auction item.
- e. The grocery card program has held steady, but needs additional volunteers to grow the program.
- f. School Payment network still owes us \$60.00.

### **II. Principals Report:**

- a. Document Camera still need to be ordered.

- b. Superintendent Carstarphen's has an online survey at The AISD district is facing a budget shortfall of 15 Million to cover for operating expenses. The Mathew's community can participate in the survey online at <http://www.austinsd.org/inside/budget/survey.phtml>. The board discussed the importance of including in the budgets for all elementary schools a ½ time Math specialist, a literary specialist, a full time counselor, and a technology specialist. The preliminary budget will be presented in late February 2010.

**III. Committee Reports:**

- a. Mathews night for The Texas Christmas Carol will be on Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>. If Mathews sells the most tickets of all the other non-profits then Mathews can earn 10,000.
- b. Anne Marie Occasin will make a place on the Mathews server so the everyone can put photographs from events in one place.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am.