A.N. Pritzker School Parent Teacher Organization October 1, 2008

Date: 1-Oct Time: 6:30 PM

Location: A.N. Pritzker School

Room 101

Minutes Prepared by: Secretary: Katie Fromm Teacher

Discussion	Notes
Opening	The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.
Meeting Times	Alternate meeting times were discussed to increase participation. Dr. Reese suggested that meetings be at 3:30 to encourage teachers to attend. After a discussing the pros and cons it was decided that the teachers would be polled to see what time woud work best for them.
Friends of Pritzker	K.C. MacQueen reviewed the Monster Mash fundraising event. It was discussed that a \$10.00 family donation would be suggested, and that a drawing would take place to help raise funds.
Mission Statement	Susan presented mission statement components received via email to the Pritzker PTO, as well as components she gathered online. All options were discussed by meeting attendees, including Dr. Reese. A mission statement was agreed upon and adopted.
Fundraising	Fundraising opportunities were discussed. The Fundraising Committee decided that it would be best to stagger fundraising programs so that not too much was going on at once. Ms Abdullah-Smith reviewed the CPS policies on fundraising.
Treasurer's Report	Brenna Michael reviewed the budget. She indicated that she was interested in moving the PTO funds from Chase Bank to US Bank. None attending the meeting were opposed, so the funds will be moved.
8to9 Program	PTO budget was reviewed. To date, 33 students are enrolled in the program. It was reported that Ms. Meier resigned from the program. The remaining teachers staffing the program are Ms. Howard, Mrs. Chapman, and Ms. Bates. It was noted that the teachers for this program are currently being paid less than their union rate. Changing the way teachers are compensated was discussed, but no solution was reached.
Market Day	Fran Konieczko provided Market Day Update. In the month of September \$56 was raised for the
PTO Magazine	Pritzker's subscription is up for renewal. It was decided not to renew.
PTO Website	Brenna Michael presented research she had done regarding PTO, and total school website design options. The decision was made not to pursue any of them, based on cost and compliance issues. Alternatively, the PTO will seek to create a separate website (similar to Friends of Pritzker) that will be linked to PritzkerSchool.org.
School Murals	Sylvia Ramos provided an update on the summer painting project. Additional funds are still needed to pay the remaining artists. Susan Boush requested that an over-all budget for the project be submitted before the PTO pay more money towards the project, to include a schedule and budget for repainting.
Missed Opportunities	The reasons for not participating in the Wicker Park Antique & Junque Sale were discussed. It was decided that the appropriate school group to sponsor these types of community partnerships and initiatives going forward would be Friends of Pritzker.
Teacher Wish Lists	Mr. Hayford will promote the PTO teacher wish list opportunity among the teachers.
Upcoming Events	John Hayford provided an update on October & November school activities.
Closing	Mr. Hayford ajourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.