- I. Meeting called to order by Heidi Langford
- II. Those present: Heidi Langford, Pres., Sandi Richins, treasurer, Susie Scherer, Director;
  Natalie Erickson, Vice-President; Wendy Ford, Science Fair Chair; Kris Ewert, secretary; Liz
  Stone, newsletter
- III. Reviewed Agenda
- IV. There were no changes to the October 2014 meeting minutes. Liz Stone motioned to approved them, Sandi Richins seconded it. Minutes were approved unanimously.
- V. Committee Business:
  - a. We wish to express appreciation to those who participated in the Scarecrow Festival. It went well and our school won the competition!
    - a. Also a thank you to those who participated in and orchestrated Fire Safety Week, Parent Teacher Conference dinner and the BookFair. All were successes!

## b. Calendar

- 1. AR party will be 11/20
- 2. Spelling Bee: in class bees will be 12/16 and schoolwide will be 1/8
- 3. Georgraphy Bee (in class) will be 3/12. There will be no school wide Bee.
- 4. 11/21 is a dress down day for grades 1 thru 6 and an extra recess for Kindergarten
- 5. Veterans Day assembly 11/11
- 6. Jazz Reading January 16<sup>th</sup>. Heidi will go to the Jazz meeting about the program.

## c. Budget Update

- 1. \$569 balance currently
- 2. We will be given \$200 for coupon book distribution. We will give \$30 to Geography Bee and \$70 to Teacher Appreciation. \$100 to the play maybe? Discussed this. The cost of script for this year's play was \$500. The play has not received any funds from FSO and yet they fall under us.
- 3. The Box Top drive collected close \$100. Not sure where will allocate that. Discussed Labels for Education, Tyson Foods, and Smith's as other fundraising sources
- 4. Student of the Month has \$217 left

- 5. Talent Show budgeted for \$50. Do they need that? Discussed. Determined that leftover funds would be given to the play.
- d. Discussion on Spousal childcare constituting volunteer hours

  It was discussed and decided that volunteer hours can be accrued for watching another family's children while a parent volunteers for the school. Kris Ewert will get back to the family that asked this question.

## VI. Committee reports

- A. Student of the month: Kris Ewert presented that the lunch part of student of the month was a little bumpy this past month due to not hearing from the teachers in an appropriate time, and having student food allergies to accommodate. It was concluded that Cheryl Stoner will send a reminder email to all the teachers on the Monday of the week when we need kids' names. A suggestion was made to make the lunch a little more special (and not just repeating the pizza school lunch) to add cupcakes as part of the lunch. Kris reported there is budget left to that. They will start next month.
- B. AR party: will need a lot of volunteers for minute to win it games. It was decided that parents are more likely to volunteer if their child is going. So, teachers will be asked to send parents an email letting them know if their child/ren made their AR goal. A sign up genius has been created for volunteer spots.

There will be 2 sessions. Kohls' employees unfortunately do not do volunteer time in Nov and December so we will have to apply for this in the New year to have them come for the next party. Sign up genius will also be emailed to get supplies donated.

- C. Spelling Bee: in class will be 12/16. Sign up genius for volunteers will go out. Words will be made available on school website and emailed to teachers to email out to kids in their grades. School wide will be January 8<sup>th</sup>. Kids will get study lists before the Winter Break.
- D. Science Fair:
  - The school one will be Tues January 20<sup>th</sup>. They need 3 judges: one for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades; 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Judges nee d to be able to stay for a full day to judge, but don't need to do both days. Discussed need to get someone this year to start learning how to administer the science fair and prepare more judges as some of our regulars are not able to this year. Noted that IM Flash pays their employees to volunteer. Wendy will create a sign up genius as well as write up a segment for the newsletter to recruit.
- E. School play. Are planning on doing fundraisers: refreshments and flowers for purchase at the performances. They need a parent volunteer at each rehearsal. They have 2 full casts. Wish to thank donors who made our purchase of a microphone set possible. Much appreciated!!

- A. What is the theme for Inpsirations? No one was certain.
- B. Science Club will be 11/24. It will also be held in February, March, and April.
- C. Communities helping Community is doing a food drive. Mrs. Scherer has encouraged the Ranches to support 30 families with items for a Thanksgiving Dinner. Discussed ways we might be able to support that endeavor with a pizza party competition where classes compete with each other. Flyers will be made to distribute to students about project.
- D. Mrs. Fahringer and Mr. Fewkes are starting a computer programming club.
- E. Can we get the word out that we are looking for a parent volunteer to head up the Chess Club as Mr. Fewkes can't do both. We have had schools calling to request chess club tournaments.
- VIII. Meeting adjourned. Sandi Richins motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. Natalie Erickson seconded. All in agreement. Next meeting scheduled for Thurs December 4<sup>th</sup>.