**Urbandale Middle School Parent Teacher Organization**

**General Meeting**

Date | time 2/9/2015 7:05 PM | Meeting called to order by Michelle Vedder

# In Attendance

**Co-President:** Michelle Vedder

**Co-President:** Michelle Mullins  
**Co-Treasurer:** Diane Chalfant-Drury

**Co-Treasurer:** Sue Mears

**Secretary:** Jeff Braaten

**Principal:** Loren DeKruyf

Three teachers from the Science Department

Two parents were also in attendance

Introductions were made

# Presentation by UMS Science Teachers

6th Grade Presentation

Covered subjects

* Scientific Method
* Characteristics of living things
* Heredity and Genetics
* Diversity
* Ecology
* Human body health and behavior

7th Grade Presentation

Covered subjects

* Physical Science
* Chemistry
* Health
* Physics

8th Grade presentation

Covered subjects

* Core
* Rocks and minerals
* Planets and Space
* Health -Pregnancy and child birth

All of the science teacher expressed their thanks and appreciation to the PTO for the funds made available to them to purchase some new equipment and supplies. Several examples were shown to those in attendance. There was some discussion on how to get the word out about what funds/supplies are needed to support the science department.

# Minutes Approval

Approval was differed until the next meeting since no minutes were made available.

# Treasurer’s Report as of January 31st, 2015

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| Income | Current | YTD |
| Fundraiser (Cash, Checks & CCs) |  | $3,576.17 |
| Fundraiser (RevTrack Donations) | $15.00 | $15.00 |
| Spirit Wear Sales |  | $13,215.50 |
| 6th Grade Party |  | $642.01 |
| 7th Grade Party |  | $737.00 |
| 8th Grade Party |  | $399.00 |
| Book Fair Income |  | $1300.94 |
| Schwan’s Sales | $237.03 | $237.03 |
| Box Tops for Education | $1,017.28 | $1,017.28 |
| Donations |  | $295.19 |
| Total | **$1,254.31** | **$21,435.12** |

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| Expenses | Current | YTD |
| Spirit Wear Fall 2014 | $3,492.00 | $12,175.00 |
| Fundraiser |  | $80 |
| 6th Grade Party |  | $224 |
| 7th Grade Party |  | $240 |
| Book Fair Cost of Books |  | $1,278.59 |
| Book Fair Expenses |  | $65.08 |
| Box Tops for Education |  | $106.53 |
| Staff Appreciation |  | $100.00 |
| Fundraiser- Camcorder for Computer Class |  | $470.12 |
| Total | **$3,492.00** | **$14,739.32** |

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| Wells Fargo Checking | Beginning Balance | $2,024.30 |
| Debit |  | $0 |
| Ending Balance |  | **$2,024.30** |

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| Balance |  |
| Admin Office Account | $12,083.21 |
| Wells Fargo Account | $2,024.30 |
| Total Cash On Hand | $14,107.51 |
| Savings for 2015-2016 Budget | $2,500.00 |
| Fundraiser Commitment – Music | $1,000.00 |
| Fundraiser Commitment-Computer | $529.88 |
| Fundraiser Commitment - Undeterminded | $1,391.74 |
| Uncommitted Balance | **$8,685.89** |

# PTO Savings Distribution

Michelle Mullins will check with the district to better understand what needs to happen with the Wells Fargo PTO accounts.

There was discussion of how much of the available funds should be allocate for the 2014-2015 school year.

* There was a motion made by Jeff Braaten, seconded by Sue Mears that the following departments should receive $1,000 each; Music (already noted), Computers (already noted), IT, Physical Education, Art, Family and Consumer Sciences, Special Education, Talented and Gifted, and At Risk for a total of $9,000. Motion passed, no discussion.

# Open Board Positions

Contact Michelle Vedder about anyone that might be interested in serving on the PTO Board for next year. There will be one co-president and one co-treasurer position open.

# PTO Communication

Michelle Vedder is going to talk with Principal DeKruyf and Sue Eggars to see if the PTO newsletter can be distributed on a different day the goal would be to increase visibility.

# Upcoming and Recent Events

Honors Celebrations - Expense for Ice Cream and postcards

Social Painting - Went well looking for more people to attend next year.

Dodgeball Tourney - It went well and should grow next year.

Campbell’s and Coke Rewards: Diane will figure out the new system and find out how to get the $250 earned out.

Conferences: Feb 24th & Feb 26th

Staff-Student Basketball Game: March 2nd

PTO Board Meeting: March 23rd

6th Grade Spring Party: April 6th

Student Senate Party: April 10th

Parent Meeting & General PTO Meeting: April 27th

8th Grade Promotion: May 27th

# Next Meeting

PTO Board Meeting: 3/23/2015 7:00 PM, UMS Media Center

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 by Michelle Vedder.