

Emerald Ridge PRIDE Booster Club
Cabinet meeting
October 3, 2006

Members of the Emerald Ridge PRIDE Booster Club met at the Emerald Ridge High School Library 12405 184th St E, Puyallup WA, 98374. Present were Jim and Catherine Aitkins, Mary Gallagher, Troy Hodge, Jodi Scott, Spring Sinden, Patty Turner. Jodi Scott called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Minutes of the September 12, 2006 cabinet meeting were read and approved as written.

New Business

- 1. Welcome:** Jodie Scott opened the meeting by welcoming all who attended. Sue Freeborn will be taking a leave of absence. Jodi will be redistributing Sue's duties.
- 2. Treasurer's Report:** Patti Turner gave the treasure's report. Thank you to Troy Hodge who gave a donation through the United Way. The budget was filed.
- 3. Meaningful Volunteer Opportunities:** Troy Hodge is trying to find opportunities for parent volunteers to help in meaningful ways be it in the classroom, helping teachers with copying, filing, or even just as greeters. The board is also doing some brain storming on these types of opportunities for parent volunteers. Catherine Aitkins volunteered to attend the next staff meeting to explain how PRIDE would like to help the staff and to get some feed back from teachers as to the type of help they need.
- 4. Verizon:** This program would be like a fundraiser. For every new Verizon customer from Emerald Ridge, the school would receive a percentage. The board will review the information packet.
- 5. Fundraiser Ideas:**
 - A. Fun Run – some brochures were collected from another school to use as examples.
 - B. On-line auction – Catherine Aitkins has researched the idea of an on-line auction. She recommended doing the auction from www.market.com. She will complete the research so PRIDE can begin working on this for the next school year.
 - C. Water balloons – sell water balloons for \$1.00 each and there would be events such as distance contests, targets, slingshot contests. Prizes will be donated for individual competitions.
- 6. Membership Drive incentives for Staff:** PRIDE will put together a list of all the things the organization does for teachers and staff. They will be offered a membership at the group rate. Mary Lu Gallagher will also compile a list of perks for the staff. She will also make cookies for any staff member who joins PRIDE.
- 7. Website Progress:** Kim Calavan and Jim Aitkins are to meet on this subject.
- 8. Contribution Memberships without designation:** The funds that are not allocated anywhere will go to the general fund which helps the students.
- 9. Promotion of Pride at conferences:** A tri-fold promotion PRIDE will be designed and ready for conferences on November 28, 2006.
- 10. Proposed changes to scholarships:** Attached is a listing of how scholarships exist now and the proposed changes. Patty Turner motioned to accept the changes. Mary Lu Gallagher seconded. The motion was approved. The scholarship requirement changes will be brought before the general membership meeting.

11. General Membership Meeting: The general membership meeting will be held October 10, 2006 at the Emerald Ridge Library, 7:00pm. Items for the agenda will include: fundraising, a list of what PRIDE does for the school and our students and what the group has already done, the by-laws, and scholarships. Membership sign-up forms will be available. Jodi Scott will verify with Lauren Dammeier to see if she will be selling Jag Gear.

Requests/Visitor's Reports/Updates

- 1. Venture Club:** Jodi Scott has met with Shannon Ross. The resources for the Venture Club are the same as for the Boy Scouts. Patty Turner motioned that PRIDE become a charter group sponsor for the Venture Club. Jim Aitkins seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- 2. Book Drive:** The book drive is to encourage more reading among our students. Announcements will be made at school and rubbermaid containers will be purchased for donated books. Mr. Brian Lowry will review the donated books.
- 3. Purchases from DECA:** It was approved that PRIDE would purchase useable items from Mr. Walden.
- 4. ASB Reps:** No report.

Upcoming events:

1. Homecoming: PRIDE will be selling tee shirts during lunch on Friday October 6, 2006. Volunteers are in place.

Old Business

1. Thank you notes from the staff are available.
2. Jodi Scott needs to preview all material with PRIDE's name on it. Jodi has the list of committees for volunteers.
3. Dr. Sutherland will donate \$15.00 for each new patient from Emerald Ridge.
4. Next meeting dates: October 10, 2006 – General Membership Meeting
November 7, 2006 – Cabinet Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm