

Westport Heights PTA Meeting
September 19, 2006

Conducting: Sam Taylor, Jr., President

Meeting commenced at 7:05 p.m. at the Westport Heights Elementary auditorium.

I. Principal's Opening Remarks – Principal Karen Long introduced herself. She gave compliments and acknowledgments to her staff and to the teachers. Ms. Long gave examples of activities available to students and invited parents to visit some of the groups' tables set-up outside during the meeting.

II. Performance by the Westport Heights Condor Cheerleaders.

III. Ilene Ashcraft – Past PTA President, gave an introduction about starting a tradition of handing down a present president pin and purchasing a past president pin each year for the outgoing president. There was a presentation of the present president pin to Sam Taylor, Jr. And there was a presentation of the past president pin to Ilene Ashcraft by Cathy Ohnstad, past Executive Vice President.

IV. Cathy Ohnstad – Booster Club President gave information about what Booster Club is and what activities and school expenses are paid for by Booster Club:

A. Fundraiser activities sponsored by the Booster Club, including Signature Fundraising, Cookie Dough sales, and Family Portraits.

B. Types of events and expenses paid for by Booster Club, including buses for field trips and Flexercise which will cost \$14,000.00 this year.

C. Encouragement to participate and sell for the fundraisers to bring the money back to the school for the above-referenced items and other expenses not covered by LAUSD.

D. Condor t-shirts and sweatshirt sales are encouraged, are not for profit, but to show school spirit and to help identify students while on field trips.

V. Kelly Kane – President of Westchester/Playa Del Rey Education Foundation spoke about what WPEF is, its goals, and encouragement to learn about and join in its activities. Information was given about the LMU/LAUSD Partnership for Westchester's family of seven schools, including Westport Heights. Invitation extended to attend the

press conference for the LMU/LAUSD Partnership on September 21, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. at Westchester High School.

VI. Presentation of Bills – Sam Taylor, Jr.

The balance in the PTA account at the end of the past school year is \$6,436.57.

A. Presentation of the PTA's Proposed Budget Totaling \$5,717.00 – A motion was made by Michelle Redulfin to accept the proposed budget that was presented by Sam Taylor. The motion was seconded by Regina Swift. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

B. Reimbursement to Ilene Ashcraft for \$60.00 for the Past and Present President Pins – A motion was made by Mrs. Robert Blake to pay Ilene Ashcraft for \$60.00 for reimbursement of the purchase of the Past and Present President pins. The motion was seconded by Kim Taylor. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

C. Reimbursement to Ms. Armstrong for \$143.00 for Multicultural Day – A motion was made by Bill Bartels to pay Ms. Armstrong for \$143.00 for Multicultural Day. The motion was seconded by Michelle Redulfin. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

D. Reimbursement to Booster Club for \$250.00 for Multicultural Day expenses – A motion was made by Ann Bishay to pay Booster Club for \$250.00 for Multicultural Day expenses. The motion was seconded by Christy Grams. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

E. Reimbursement to Carol Tripodo for \$50.00 for the Jump for the Heart Event – A motion was made by Kim Taylor to pay Carol Tripodo \$50.00 for the Jump for the Heart event. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

F. Reimbursement to Cathy Ohnstad for \$22.71 for VIP Honorary Service Awards – A motion was made by Shawn Milstead to pay Cathy Ohnstad \$22.71 for VIP Honorary Service Awards. The motion was seconded by Bill Bartels. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

G. PTA Donation to Westport Heights Library for \$2,500.00 – A motion was made by Regina Swift to donate \$2,500.00 to the Westport Heights Library for the purchase of new books. The motion was made by Tanya Hassan. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

After the meeting ended, ice cream was served and the parents were given a chance to visit group tables, check-out PTA sign-up sheets, purchase PTA memberships, and socialize with other parents and the principal.

Audrey Kitayama
PTA Secretary