

PTO MEETING MINUTES MAR 12, 2012

- **Meeting called to order by PTO President Mary Jo King at 7pm.**
- **Minutes** from January's and February's meetings are behind the agenda for your review. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Missy Kolnik and seconded by Jen Shinsky.
- **Treasurer's Report-** Chris Leshner- behind the minutes-expense, income and ending reports. Ending balance looks high since fundraiser income came in but amounts still have to be paid. The only expenses for field trips yet are for Leon George for buses and for the kindergarten field trip. Field trip dates are as follows: Kindergarten and 1st grade May 3rd, 2nd grade May 11th to the Philadelphia Zoo, 3rd grade May 31st Quiet Valley, 4th grade March 22nd Harrisburg, 5th grade May 11th to Jim Thorpe, 6th grade is May 2nd to Iron Pigs. Motion to accept the report made by Anne Cronk and seconded by Mary Herrmann.

OLD BUSINESS.

- **Spring Fundraiser-** donut fundraiser had a profit of \$1,493. Update by Brigitte for Gianni's-pickup is March 29th from 12-6 at the West End Fire Co. The profit from Gianni's was \$729. Gertrude Hawk profit is \$4,700. West End Pizza sale profit was \$2300. Pickups are March 22nd for K-2 and March 29th for 3-6 from 11-6 at the West End Fire Co.
- **Basket Auction/Bake Sale-**will be held March 25th from 10am-3pm-update by Mary Jo. Flyer went home asking for donations by theme per homeroom. We will put baskets together at a meeting. Full baskets of \$25 value can be donated as well and you will receive PTO credit of 5 points. Bake Sale update by Michele O'Neill-sale of baked goods and lots of hot food as well. This will be going on the same time as the basket auction. Volunteer help will be needed all day as well. Items needed for donation can be found with Michele. An email As always, PTO credit will be awarded for donated items.
- **Toy/Game BINGO-**update by Becky Christman/Anne Cronk-great day!! Thanks to everyone who donated! Profit for the day was about \$1200 (this is not set up as a fundraiser). Would love feedback on the prizes to see what everyone thought of everything....look for a survey on the website.
- **Market Day-** update by Mary Jo for Pam Andrews. Thanks to everyone who helps each month. Pickup is Thursday March 22nd in SS Palmer Cafeteria. Orders will be accepted through March 16th. Truck arrives at 6pm and pickup is from 7-8pm. Help will be needed beginning by 6pm to unload the truck and organize orders.
- **Book Fair-**update by Nicki Frank-\$5000 in sales, we took the entire fair in profit so we take half in books plus an additional 15%, every teacher received \$50, library received \$400, plus we have a nice cushion in our scholastic account now. We are going to see what is needed in this building so we can use that towards a purchase. Thanks to everyone who helped!!!

NEW BUSINESS .

- **Festival Committee-**update by Michele O'Neill-our stand is in pieces and always a project to put together every year. We could put our stand on a trailer, store it, and keep it together all the time. We found a trailer for \$150. Pat Frank volunteered to put our stand on the trailer and put a permanent roof on the stand as well. With the cost of the trailer, the total cost will not exceed \$600 (our profit from the festival last year was \$1300). We will also need a place to store the trailer. Jen Shinsky made a motion to purchase the trailer and not to exceed \$600 in expenses to get the stand and trailer set up. Magin Gursky seconded the motion. Motion accepted.

- **Scholarship Donation**- update by Mary Jo. Teachers do a fundraiser with dress down days to raise money for scholarships. PTO always donates some toward the scholarships as well. 2 scholarships are awarded to seniors with the highest GPAs that came from our two buildings in the amount of \$500 each. Anne Cronk made a motion to give our PTO donation amount of \$200, seconded by Missy Kolnik. Also, Pam Andrews always organizes a gift to 6th graders of t-shirts to take with them as they leave our school. Motion made by Holly Sell, and seconded by Jen Sterner to purchase the t-shirts for the 6th graders.
- **Spring Farewell Dance**-update by Julie Stroup. The Farewell Dance is Friday, May 18th from 6-8:30. All children must be picked up from this dance since it's a night dance (no walkers allowed). LOTS of donations of goodies and drinks will be needed since this dance is FREE for the students...free to get in and free to eat and drink. Look for an email soon looking for ideas for a theme for the dance. Also, the chairperson position will be open for this committee next year. If you're interested in taking over this committee, please come and help at this last dance.
- **Teacher Luncheon**-update by Mary Jo-May 8th which is National Teachers Day in both buildings. We provide a nice lunch for the teachers. Look for flyers to come home asking for donations of various food items/supplies/beverages. Volunteer help will be needed for that day as well. The teachers look forward to this day of great food!
- **School Board Committee**-next meeting is March 20th at 7pm on the 3rd floor of Parkside.
- **President's Report**- update given by Mary Jo. Boxtops check will be coming for \$980 in April! Next check will come in December. Kathleen is getting excellent help with boxtops, the turnaround is fast with them.
- **Principal's Report**- update by Mary Brumbach-she is ill and couldn't come to the meeting tonight. If anyone needs to speak with her, please call the office or email her anytime. PSSAs are this week. So, send your children to bed a little early and give them good breakfasts too. There are some activities after testing as well, depending upon the teacher.
- **Comments/Questions**-
- **Door Prize Drawings**
- **Meeting was adjourned.**

NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD MONDAY, APRIL 16TH AT 7PM IN SS PALMER CAFETERIA.