

PTSA MEETING MINUTES

1-10-08

Meeting was called to order at 3:20 pm

Board Members Present: **Michelle Robles**
 Annie Diaz
 Paula Valverde
 Nancy Kasten
 Sharon Johnston

Board Members Absent: **None**

Continuing Business

A) Minutes from last meeting approved

B) Trash for Cash update:

We are expecting a check for ink cartridges for Approx \$62.00

Angie has mailed in the Nestle Water labels and Tyson labels

We have approx. 900 Campbell's Soup labels

We got a check for \$780.00 for Box Tops

C) Can We Talk Workshops:

These are interactive workshops

Space will be limited to approx. 30 participants

Dinner and workbook will be provided

We are working on providing Child care during the workshops

Mrs. Johnston has offered her classroom

The Topics that will be covered are: Self esteem

Peer Pressure

Puberty

Mixed Messages

The first workshop is on Self Esteem on January 30, 2008

(Wednesday) Dinner at 5:30pm

Workshop at 6:00pm (approx 90 min.)

We will have surveys to fill out at the end which enters you in a raffle for a prize that is yet to be determined.

D) Sunwise project: The Grant has been applied for and we should know

February 15th if we will receive it. In the meantime Annie

will do some price comparison and work on getting the

required 3 written quotes. The grant covers \$2500.00

The school \$2500.00

PTSA will work on the remainder

(between \$1000.00 - \$1500.00)

E) Students Supporting Brain Tumor Research update:

Hat day will be on 1-17-08 (Thursday)

There will be a student from the organization here on

1-28-08 at 3:30 pm to talk to NJHS and Student Counsel

about the project and they will start planning events at that time. The Walk is on Saturday 2-23-08.

We discussed finding out what the students want to do with regard to possibly purchasing T-shirts for the walk and the possibility of providing funds to support that.

- F) **Teachers Request Forms update:** The forms have been finalized , ready for use. They are available in the office under our PTSA Bulletin Board. We will vote on the items requested depending on the item and cost.

Two of the Kindergarten classes have requested Pencil Sharpeners cost = approx \$30.00 each.

Motion for purchase by Annie Diaz

Motion seconded by Paula Valverde

Vote passed.

Discussion about researching an excellent long lasting sharpener (cost and quality) for possible purchase for each hallway or grade level in the future. Sharon Johnston will do survey and research further.

Treasurer's Report: We have approximately \$9000.00 at this time
We received a check for \$780.00 from Box Tops
We made \$1700.00 on the Holiday Shop
(We sold 1/2 of our supply of build a mascot animals, the remainder from all sales is profit)

New Business

- A) **Teacher Representative change:** As of today our new Teacher Rep will be Mrs. Sharon Johnston. Thank you Mr. McGehee For all your work to this point. Welcome Sharon!
- B) **Discussion about possibly purchasing dictionaries for Aims testing for 3rd grade and up was updated.** It is our understanding that as long as they don't possess a tutorial section, any dictionary is acceptable. Dictionary/Thesaurus was mentioned by teachers as what they would prefer. Sharon Johnston will take a survey of the Teachers and Mrs. Nolan will research what dictionaries are available through Scholastics so that we could possibly purchase from her during book fair to show our support for the Library as well.
Book Fair is March 27- April 4
Aims Testing begins April 8
- C) **Macayo's Restaurant Night is on Tuesday January 15,2008.** Flyer is necessary (can not be handed out at door, contract signed) They will be giving us 20% back from that nights sales.

- D) Can We Talk Workshop is Wednesday January 30,2008
Dinner at 5:30pm, Workshop at 6:00pm
Topic is Self Esteem this month
There was discussion about Email blitzing
and using edulink with Mr. Jiles voice as
well as Tuesday folders to get the word
out and try to increase participation.
We will also send out info to Teachers so
they can encourage students families to
consider attending.**
- E) Jason's Deli Restaurant Night is Wednesday February 6,2008**
- F) Donuts for Dads is on Friday February 8, 2008.**
- G) Family Fun Dance is Friday February 22, 2008.
Theme: 50's Sock Hop**
- H) Students Support Brain Tumor Research Walk is Saturday
February 23, 2008.**
- I) Coyote's Night is Saturday March 1, 2008. Same price range as
last time. Duffle Bag give-away that day.**
- J) Great Skate Night is on March 14, 2008**
- K) Spaghetti Dinner Night will probably not be spaghetti this time.
Looking into possibility of Mexican food.**
- L) Movie Night is on Friday April 4, 2008
Book fair theme is Vacations....Looking for appropriate
movie suggestions.**
- M) Spring Carnival is on Saturday April 20,2008.
Discussion of what we want to do this year at carnival
Suggestions so far: Bounce House
Water Slide
Rockwall
Dunk Tank
Petting Zoo
Train Ride
Teachers please start thinking about your booths
What you gonna do? What kind of prizes you want!**

Open Discussion

- 1) Bullying packets.....Paula has them ready to go out in
Tuesday folders next week**
- 2) How did the Christmas Angel Program go?
Went well. Every child received 2-3 items
Office staff and volunteers did a great job.
Thank you to all who contributed in any way.
Some discussion on improvements for next year.**
- 3) We still have some build a mascot animals if anyone is
interested order forms in the office.**
- 4) Discussion about how much stuff to order for movie night**

this time. More of everything.

**THE POPCORN MACHINE IS FIXED, THANK YOU MR.
LARRY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

Meeting adjourned at 4:47 pm