

PTSA MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2009

Attendees: Shelly Gillis, Ellen Allen, Kathy Reuter, Iris Realmuto, Lori Gates, Lynn Goldberg, Ruth Kabel, Laura Landerman-Garber, Robin Gegg, Cindy Van Coughnett, Jann Caywood, Venu Rao, Bonnie Frisard

Review of Minutes: Laura Landerman made motion to accept minutes, Shelly Gillis second the motion. All Passed

Treasure' Report: Ellen Allen

See Attached

Motion made to accept by Kathy Reuter, Jann Wood second the motion

Lynn Goldberg, Ruth Kabel and Kathy Reuter will work with Ellen Allen to audit the budget.

Committee Reports:

Spirit Wear: Laura Landerman-Garber reported that Leslie Eisenberg will take over the project for next year.

8th Grade Celebration: Lori Gates reported that plans are all underway. Shelly Gillis and Cindy Van Coughnett have volunteered to take on the project for next year.

7th Grade Celebration- Shelly Gillis, Kathy Reuter, Maura Loftus have volunteered to organize the event which will take place at Alpine Grove on June 19.

Old Business

Web Site-Iris Realmuto

Iris is Redesigning the web site and is looking for image or picture to represents PTSA. Bonnie made a suggestion to use the banner. Question arose about a PTSA motto, suggestion was made to look into this for next year.

Iris also asked to use a credit and link to her personal business link. Motion made by Bonnie Frisard to be acceptable. Jan second the motion. All Passed.

Bulletin Board-Robin Gegg

PTSA will have their own located will be on left side before office. It will be an enclosed case with a lock. The aluminum case and a shatter resistance acrylic size 36 x 24 case is \$194. Bumpers on corners for safety were assured by Robin, depth of case will be checked on. Laura made a motion to discuss, Shelly Gillis second the motion.

Larger size was questioned-Depth of at least 5 to 6 inches is determined to be acceptable. Robin will check on prices and get approved by administration.

Motion made by Bonnie Frisard to recommend spending up to \$400 for either two small or one larger locking case with depth 3 to 5 inches. Jan second the motion. Majority approved with one Nay.

Membership: Cindy Van Coughnett.

No one has stepped up for President or co-presidents. Cindy will continue on as second vice president and Ellen Allen will stay as budget chairperson.

Positions filled for next year:

Volunteer coordinator: Denise Petzuzui

Dance Chaperone: Cindy

Ski Chaperon: Peter Hurley

Jordan's Walk-Open, need someone now because it is at the beginning of the year.

Still in need of a President, Secretary and First Vice President. Will work on a committee of people to run the PTSA instead of one President.

Jann Caywood moved to make a motion to discuss changing the meeting from the third Friday to the second Friday of the month. Shelly Gillis second the motion.

By-laws have the date written into it and must be presented before the state for approval to make any changes.

Jan Caywood requested to moot the discussion. Shelley second Motion made by Robin Gegg to change Shelly Gillis. All passed.

Sept 3, 2009 is Parent 'How to Stay Connected with the Middle School.' The volunteer orientation is given by Mrs. Goyette

Fundraising

UnitedScrip Update-Ruth Kabel and Lynn Goldberg- Scrips can be done online so they will be doing a test run during the summer.

For the new school year we are looking at giving 1% of Scrips order to individual family for a purpose such as Washington DC to help drive parent involvement. This would be a direct benefit

to their child. Money could also be used for field trips or returned to the PTSA general fund. Free software from Scrips will provide way to track. The rest of the money would go to the PTSA. Ruth also talked about

Principles Report-Pat Goyette

Next year up to 26--- 474 students, looking at the fifth team number. 8th grade go to 105 to 120 236 going to 8th 236 coming from elementary schools. Team assignments have been done.

Teams are balanced. Only 4 request to change in 8th grade, none in 7th. Math placements are Algebra class on both teams. 7th grade is pre-algebra 8th grade algebra. Success in Algebra is essential to make their future success.

NEWA scores are being used this year for placement. Used for foreign language and reading placements. A workshop will be the last day of school to understand and interpret scores.

Rock groups will be between 11 and 12 students. These change between 7th and 8th grade.

Team Prescott will get new math teacher. Mrs. Mezzocchi is retiring, Mrs. Marquette. Ms. Martini will be new SPED coordinator at the SAU. New candidate for nomination for part time will be presented to the board.

Kimberly Rizzo Saunders will be assistant Principle at Con Val School next year.

HS freshman and 7th grade will attend school Friday August 28th with an early release.

Full week for all students is Aug 31st before Labor Day weekend.

Hand Book is being revised for next year. Dress Code is an issue at this age. Trying to be reasonable for expectations. Self responsibility was a suggestion made by Jann; Posters were mentioned to help promote proper dress code.

Body Art is addressed this year.

Staff is working 5 days after school is finished. 3 days for school, 2 days are optional to fill Thurs and Friday. Coop teachers will be able to have online training for power school. On-line grades will be coming, but not next year. Need a protocol in place first.

Misc.

Staff appreciation luncheon is planned on Tuesday-Kristine Farhat

June 19 Awards then Alpine Grove for Seventh Graders and Canobie Lake for Eighth graders.

Eight Grade Celebration has been planned; everyone is looking for a successful and fun evening.

End of the year gifts: Lynn Goldberg made a motion to discuss a gift for Mrs. Mezzocchi who is retiring this year. Ellen Allen second. Discussion ensued, a motion to give a \$50.00 gift was made by Lynn Goldberg, Lori Gates second.

Lori Gates made a motion to discuss a gift for Jean Filer for all of her help with the fundraisers; Scrips and Spirit Wear. Laura Garber second. Discussion followed, a motion was made to get \$100.00 gift by Laura Garber, Lori Gates second. Vote taken 5 for, 3 nay motion passed.

Both gifts will be from a local business to show community support.

Thank you to Laura Garber for all she has done for the Spirit Wear fundraiser, she has done an outstanding job and it is greatly appreciated by the PTSA.

Motion made to dismiss by Laura Garber

Lynn Goldberg second.

Meeting adjourned 10:05am

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Amendments'/Approval at Next meeting