

PTSA Meeting Minutes – November 19, 2010

Attendees: Dianne Bonta, Iris McLaughlin, Leslie Eisenberg, Deb Drouin, Mary Lou McCoy, Janet Merrithew, Lynn Goldberg, Rachana Suchdev, Audrey Augun, Betsy Solon, Beth Baryames, Lisa Schmalz, Mr. Secor, Ruth Kabel, and Debi Davis.

Review of Minutes: Lynn Goldberg made a motion to accept the minutes from October 15, 2010. Lisa Schmalz seconded the motion. All were in favor. Changes were made to the 9/17/10 minutes. All were in favor of the changes.

Treasurer's Report: Lynn Goldberg reviewed the PTSA budget for 2010-11 calendar year along with the monthly activity from 10/15/10 through 11/18/10. No discussion ensued.

Scrip: Lynn Goldberg reported that this was their biggest month this year. Lynn congratulated Deb Drouin and Angela on successfully running the whole Scrip program this month.

Spirit Wear: Leslie Eisenberg would like to groom someone to be in charge of Spirit Wear for the calendar year 2011-12. A parent complained that rock groups are not passing things out at the same time. Mr. Secor said he would investigate this.

Principal's Report: Steve Secor was present for Mrs. Goyette. Steve gave thanks for the staff appreciation luncheon. The Veteran's day Assembly included 23 local veterans. A parent commented on how beautiful the choral work was at the assembly. Steve said that they are actively looking for a substitute for Mrs. DiZazzo when she has maternity leave. Report cards went out November 12, 2010 and the parent portal is a success. On November 2nd there was SAU wide staff work day on K-12 core subjects. The next Washington D.C. deposit of \$200.00 is due by November 30th. A parent mentioned that the handling of the graffiti incident in the 8th grade girl's bathroom was offensive to the 8th grade girls and that they deserve an apology. A concern was raised about students being dropped off on Love Lane and that drivers cannot see them, therefore dangerous. A parent said that her child was not prepared to take Honors Biology in high school. Other parents said that their child was adequately prepared for the course. A parent stated that her 8th grader is getting too much homework, several parents agreed with this. Mr. Secor told the group that he would report PTSA concerns to Mrs. Goyette.

Staff Appreciation: Rachana Suchdev gave special thanks to Beth Ide and Cheryl O'Donnell for their contribution to staff appreciation. The food was delicious according to Mr. Secor. Rachana would like to give the staff a present right before the holidays. Their next staff appreciation is Valentine's Day. A parent mentioned having volunteer sign-ups right at the door during open houses so as to increase parental involvement.

Other: There is a Hollis Ski Club at Pat's Peak. You can drive yourself and take the whole family.

The next meeting is December 17th at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted by Debi Davis