

## **PTA Meeting Minutes**

Date: Tuesday, November 13, 2007

Attendees: Lisa Brown, Lisa VanAernam, Angie Clizbe, Chris Clizbe, Karen Miller, Elena Willet, Sue Ackerbauer, Corky Fisher, Patti Sotero, Patricia Musselback, Jen Hickok, Nadeen Rizzo, Nancy Spencer, Jennifer Spoppable.

**Secretary's Report:** Motion to accept – Elena Willet, Karen Miller

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion to accept – Monica Poitras, Lisa Brown

-Mrs. Sotero approached the Treasurer about using the excess \$100 from “Books for Birthdays” to purchase another digital camera. Motion to accept – Karen Miller and Elena Willet. PTA all in favor.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Hospitality:** Thank you from Pleasant Avenue PTA for assisting with their Open House.

## **Central Council:**

-Discussed details for Founder's Day.

-Open to suggestions for “Celebrate 2008” ideas. Would like to combine celebrations i.e. Homecoming, etc. Please contact Lisa Askew should you have some suggestions.

**School Store:** Going well. Kids seem to be waiting for new supplies to come in. Inventory has been ordered and on its way.

**Popcorn Sales:** During an audit of the last sale, Angie Clizbe noted a difference in the amount of money that was in deposit envelope to amount that was noted on log. So, she did a secondary audit, documented the difference. She just wanted to mention that the deposited amount is different than expected. All parties have been notified.

## **Fundraisers:**

Pancake Breakfast: Refer to Treasurer's Report. Good turnout and community support.

Thanks for all that helped.

Fall Fundraiser: Refer to Treasurer's Report. Families had lots of fun.

Cookie Fundraiser to come out soon.

## **Box Tops/Tools for Schools/Campbells/Hannaford/Ink Cartridges:**

Missed December submission, but will send in soon and will get check in the Spring.

Getting great participation for Campbell's labels – please be careful to include the “points” on the label.

Ink cartridges – will be sending those in shortly. Please keep them coming!!

## **Old/New Business:**

- Next Book Fair is in December, 2007. Details TBD
- Nominations and Basket Theme for Founder's Day:
  - Committee for Founder's Day: Mrs. Sotero, Chris Clizbe, Karen Miller, Jen Hickok.
  - “Reading is Cool” – Basket Theme: Bring in PARP and penguin theme (Happy Feet, Surf's Up, Snow cone maker, Friendly's certificates, gloves, hats, anything “cool”.) Details on donations will be distributed soon.
  - Santa's Workshop: Shared with JTA. Mrs. Sotero will contact Jeremy Weber to be “Santa”.
    - Corky Fisher and Chris Clizbe (Wed), Corky Fisher and Lisa Brown (Thurs.) to volunteer. **NEED VOLUNTEER FOR THURSDAY NIGHT (December 13<sup>th</sup>.)** Please contact Jansen Avenue if you can volunteer to help.
    - Will be sending home a note for baked goods donations for “Cookies with Santa”.
  - PARP: Mrs. Sotero to bring in snow cone machine to reward children for participating.
  - DARE Graduation November 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Playground equipment repairs: Money in Savings account is for playground equipment. Mrs. Sotero to get a quote for the repairs on the mats and broken equipment.

- School Banking: We have a few volunteers to help. Thank you. We are still in need of a few more volunteer's. Please contact Mrs. Sotero or Lisa VanAernam if interested. Training will be held at Jansen Avenue School on Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am.

### **Principal's Report:**

- NYS Education \* 24 Title 1 schools were acknowledged for their growth in academics. Jansen Ave. was chosen. Congratulations! The 24 must be narrowed down to 19 schools; once we hear if we made the cut, we will be eligible to process a Blue Ribbon Award application, which is acknowledged in Washington, D.C.
- Veteran's Day assembly –All the students rec'd a flag and gave a military salute to all the special guests that participated and paraded down the hall. Wonderful turnout!
- Student Council/JSCD wrote a grant and was awarded \$200.00! Congratulations!
- Banishing Bullies Program – Going to be proactive with anti-bullying education. Want to make sure everyone is happy and secure at school and uncover any sources of bullying.
- Scholarship Fund – details TBD.
- Holiday Floats are making great progress for Holiday Parade. Students who will be selected to ride on the float will be notified on Wednesday, 11-14-07.
- Feb 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> PTA take your family to school week. Details TBD.
- Parents Expo at Empire State Plaza 11-17-07. [www.Nyspta.org](http://www.Nyspta.org) for more information. Admission is free.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in Jansen Avenue School Library

PTA members to stay a few minutes after meeting to assist with decorating for the Santa's Workshop.