

Jansen Avenue PTA Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, September 12th , 2006

Attendance: Lisa VanAernam, Michelle Heroth, Karen Miller, Angela Clizbe, Chris Clizbe, Jen Hickok, Donna Albanese, Amber Albanese, Jaime Kosowicz, Jodi Nguyen, Elizabeth McKenney, Corky Fisher, Monica Poitras, Alicia Putman, Carrie Pechtel, Lisa Askew, Becky Polidore, Mary Kay Weis, Teri Brandt, Lisa Pollak, Nancy Spencer, Shelly Barnum, Tery Swierzowski, Patricia Sotero, J. Cronin, Steve Pratt, Elena Willett.

Welcome Pledge: Lisa VanAernam President  
Secretary's Report: Steve Pratt motion to accept, Angela Clizbe 2nd.  
Treasurer's Report: No report.

MySpace Presentation - Officer Gilbo. They are doing a presentation to all of the schools PTA and then they will be having a presentation for the students at Knox and the High School. A presentation for the elementary students would be up to the building principals.

Facebook.com and Friendster.com are the next most popular sites.

You can browse by geographical area. The government has tried to get involved in this. Let children know that what ever they put on their home page anyone can see it. If you do allow children to be on any of these sites sit down with them and see exactly what information they put on there only put basic information on this. Then set up your own account as the parent and make them list you as one of their friends. Inform them that not everyone that they meet are who they say that they are. Monitor and view your child's web page and friends list. You can put a block on the web page so that you can only view it if you are listed as a friend. Any harassing emails can be prosecuted.

Committee Reports:  
Hospitality:  
Thank you from the staff for the staff breakfast.

Central Council:  
No meeting. Jaime Kosowicz is president for central council. The sites were no listed on the district calendar. She has a list if you would like it of all the dates and sites. First meeting 09/21/06 at Knox.

School Store: Mary Kay Weis placed an order it should be here next week. The store should be up and running in a couple of weeks.

Open House: Jansen Open house will be on 09/28/06. We will be manning our own table for memberships at open house. We will be doing a PTA swap with

Pleasant Avenue for their open house on 09/27/06 - volunteers are needed to help out with that, please contact Lisa VanAernam if interested.

Old/New Business:

Popcorn Sales: The 1st popcorn sale will be Mrs. Moore's class this Friday. This year the PTA will not be taking the \$10 out for supplies from the teachers because there is a popcorn budget already.

Homework Club: Volunteers needed. Mr. Clizbe will be helping each day. Mrs. Heroth will help on Monday and Wednesday - 3:15 - 3:45.

Pancake Breakfast: October 22, 2006. Tickets are done. There are just under 500. Elena Willett will number these before we give them to people to sell. Same prices as last year. Moose is all set. Flyer will be sent home regarding purchasing tickets. The fundraiser committee will meet to go over details of pancake breakfast.

School Banking: Mary Kay Weis and Pam Schrum will be helping with the school banking on Fridays. They could use one more volunteer for this if possible.

Room Parents: The forms went out for room parents. Please realize that not everyone can be chosen to be a room parent as some teachers do not need as many as others.

Budget: The budget will be presented at the next meeting.

Membership: Jaime Kosowicz - chairperson. Will send home flyer and will have a table at open house. \$4.00 each.

We will be doing Tools For Schools, Box Tops, Campbell's labels, and ink cartridges this year. Information will be sent home regarding these.

Hannaford Program: When you purchase certain items at Hannaford you will get a dollar value coupon at the register. This runs from September to the beginning of December.

Radio Disney Move It Program: Ms. Hickok is doing the research on this and is looking into having a rep from Pleasant Avenue to come and speak to us at the next meeting. The cost for this program is \$600.

Principals Report:

Welcome back, Mrs. Sotero is so glad to have the kids back in the school.

We will be seeing a lot of new posters in the halls regarding character education. Some were purchased by the PTA and some were purchased by the student council.

Mrs. Sotero is interested in opening the building to the community starting in January one night a week for an hour and a half for computer teaching. If anyone has any specialty using computers such as a certain program and would be willing to donate their time please contact Mrs. Sotero regarding this.

PTA meeting minutes will be sent to Lisa VanAernam and then sent on to Mrs. Sotero so that they can be posted on the web site for parents who are unable to attend meetings, but want to stay involved.

Next Meeting Tuesday October 10th, 2006 at 6:30.