

Jansen Avenue PTA Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 14th, 2006

Attendance: Lisa VanAernam, Michelle Heroth Chris Clizbe, Angela Clizbe, Alecia Putman, Barb Fisher, Steven Pratt, Jeffrey Fisher, Lisa Brown, Karen Miller, Lisa Pollak, Sue Moore, Nadeen Rizzo, Corrina Pelkey, Jennifer Hickok, Mary Kay Weis, Scott Western, Elena Willett, Corky Fisher, Monica Poitras, Patricia Sotero.

Welcome Pledge: Lisa VanAernam President

Secretary's Report: Alecia Putman motion to accept, Corrina Pelkey 2nd.

Treasurer's Report: Chris Clizbe motion to accept, Scott Western 2nd.

Committee Reports:

Hospitality:

Thank you note from the staff and students of grades 3-6 for the field trip to see The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe. Thank you from the Creative Design Department for the use of the computer, printer, and materials. Thank you from Lisa VanAernam to every one who helped to make the Fall Festival a success.

Central Council:

Information regarding the person exposing himself. This was discussed and as of the meeting no arrests were made yet. There was no actual exposure, the girls were asked to get in the car, the same person went to Gloversville the next day. November meeting date is 11/30/06, covered dish, 6:00 PM High School, we are responsible for drinks. Discussed Founders Day – looking for volunteers date is 02/14/07. Possibility of a City Celebration for 2008 – mentioned looking for PTA involvement. Talked about child safety information - web sites, DVD's for training kids – Officer Jones willing to talk with each unit. November 20-21st. Uncle Brothers Performance @ each school – one performance 20th at Knox.

School Store: Doing very well – making money – need to place an order.

Old/New Business:

Popcorn Sales: Doing well – make sure if you are doing a popcorn sale to count all money and break down by denomination and roll change and put in a sealed envelope.

Fall Festival: Thank you to all that helped. Went very well.

Pancake Breakfast: We did not make as much money this year as last year. We need to push presale tickets in the future. We can do another breakfast or dinner in the future.

Book Fair: December 1st – December 8th. Pam Baran is chairperson.

Fundraisers in general are down.

Dare Graduation: Date has been changed – no new date yet – Officer Jones has not notified us of a new date yet.

Santa's Workshop: Angela Clizbe has been shopping. She would like Mrs. Sotero to ask the student council if they would like to set up a gift wrapping station at night sale. JTA will provide Santa. We ran out of film last year. Let Louise Carvelle know early of date needed. Refreshments will be made – cookies & milk. We will play Christmas music during this time also.

Greater Johnstown School Board Meeting: Meeting will be held at Jansen in January. Other schools have been giving out goodie bags for board members – candy, pencils, pens, etc. We have decided not to do this, we will serve refreshments on small plates at each table.

Library Concerns: The library has not been available as much this year due to Title 1 school regulations, very strict guidelines. Mrs. Bray is not in the library in the mornings. Mrs. Sotero is checking into district policy as to what the guidelines are for parent volunteers are to help with this problem.

Roller Skating Night: Lisa VanAernam has asked if there would be an interest in a roller skating night at High Rollers. We would have to have a minimum of 50 participating. \$4.00 per person, 2 ½ hours in the evening. Mondays or Thursdays. Maybe we could do a presale deposit to make sure that we have enough participating. Lisa to check into joining with Pleasant Avenue.

Fundraising Ideas: We need to have the fundraising committee meet more than once. They will meet at 6:00 before the next PTA meeting. Umbrellas – Lisa checking into. McDonalds Coupon books. Fashion show for kids through Peebles, they bring into school and you get 15-20% off your next purchase. Chinese Auction – like basket raffle. Nascar Ornaments. Home Interiors. Chicken barbeque. Dime a dip – taste around the world. Barb Fisher will be chairperson for the fundraising committee. We will have to check into the PTA guidelines for fundraising. All fundraising ideas must be presented to the PTA for approval.

Box Tops: Mary Kay Weis would like \$62 for prizes for the box top challenge. She would like approval for this. Angela Clizbe motion to accept, 2nd Karen Miller. Also if you go onto the Box Tops web site you can sign up to put our school in a drawing for 20,000 extra points.

Hannaford: December 20th is the deadline for this. Bring in the voucher that you get with your receipt.

Cookie Exchange: For December Meeting. Mrs. Pelkey will make the arrangements for this.

Magazine Business: Nick Multon. Would like to start a magazine business and would like the PTA to help fund this. First he needs to find a teacher advisor. No meeting can be done at homework club. Develop a plan. Maybe he would like to join the newspaper and report on sports. Talk to Mrs. Pelkey regarding joining his ideas with the newspaper.

Principals Report:

The building is now more community friendly. In January on Thursday nights any parent can come into the computer lab and will receive a certificate at the end of the week. This will be 2 hours per week.

There is a new stereo mounted outside the cafeteria playing the 5th and 6th grades chorus music.

Quia – 14 staff members involved, very helpful.

Radio Disney – the children enjoyed the assembly.

The Holiday Parade – The float will be ready on Friday. All are welcome to walk in the parade.

JACD – Dong a great job with this business.

Another bulletin board is being created for the intermediate hall and hall going down ramp.

Library - Mrs. Sotero would like to find someone to build a little puppet theater section in the back corner of the library. If anyone is able to do this please contact her.

Next meeting Tuesday, December 12th, 2006.