

Pleasant Avenue PTA Meeting Minutes

Date: September 14, 2009

Attendees:

Kristina Mraz – Y	Deb Ammann – Y	Quinn Swartwout -
Elena Willett – Y	Gina Hadcock – Y	Michelle Heroth – Y
Rachel Truckenmiller – Y	Monica Poitras – Y	Lisa VanAernam - Y

Additional Participants:

Jessica Eaton	Pamela Donohue	Amber Alnutt
Tracy Russo	Nancy Spencer	Ellen Freeny
Vanessa Sheppard	Krista Angus	Jen Sponnoble
Carrie Pechtcl	Heidi Norris	Beth Edel
Jeff Vivenzio	Caroline Wagner	Nadeen Rizzo
Karen Miller	Helen Reed	Jill Richardson
Christine Lamori	Patricia Lago	Sharon Kimitz(sp)
Astrid Duross	Teri Brandt	Michele Lake

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept – N/A

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept – N/A

Committee Reports:

Hospitality:

- Thank you to Jansen Avenue PTA for their donation to each of the Elementary level PTA's.

Central Council:

- N/A

School Store:

- N/A

Popcorn Sales:

- Each teacher will be assigned a day for their sale. The proceeds will be used towards supplies in the classroom.

Fundraiser:

- Fall Fundraiser begins September 22, 2009. Catalogs will be sent home with the students.

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

- Box Tops:
 - Find Box Top coupons on hundreds of products. Each coupon is worth 10cents for our school. Clip and send in baggies containing 50 coupons each with your child to give to their classroom teacher. The class with the most Box Tops receives an ice cream sundae party.
- Tools for Schools
 - Go to <http://www.pricechopper.com/toolsforschools> with your AdvantEdge card and follow the instructions. Everything you purchase at Price Chopper using your AdvanEdge card earns points to help the school get a larger share of the \$500,000 in FREE equipment to be distributed through our Tools for Schools Program. Points are earned August 2, 2009-February 13, 2010
- Campbells: Lisa VanAernam to Chair.
 - Save the UPC labels and beverage caps from participating Campbell's products and send this in to your child's classroom. The school earns rewards for all labels collected and submitted.
- GoodSearch.com: GoodSearch.com is a new Yahoo-powered search engine that donates half its advertising revenue, about a penny per search, to the charities its users designate. Use it just as you would any search engine, get quality search results from Yahoo, and watch the donations add up.
 - Be sure to enter PLEASANT AVENUE SCHOOL as the charity to support.
- GoodShop.com is a new online shopping mall which donates up to 37 percent of each purchase to your favorite cause.
- Hannaford: Program details TBD

- Ink Cartridges: Program details TBD

Old/New Business:

- Open House:
 - Open House: Need 2 volunteers to go to Warren on Oct. 1st and Glebe on Sept 29th. Please see Kristina Mraz. - Done
 - Ms. Edel (sp) would like some volunteers to assist with Book Fair at Open House. Please see her to sign up for a short shift. - Done
- School Pictures: Need volunteers - Done
- Carnival: Mrs. Truckenmiller will be Chairing.
- SDM (Shared Decision Making): Need volunteers for Pleasant. Assist with decisions that impact Pleasant Avenue.
- PARP (Parents as Reading Partners): Need volunteers to help with organization of the Program along with Deb Ammann. This is a month long program to encourage reading.
- School Banking: (Mrs. Pam Donohue): Need volunteers for Tuesday mornings. 1st Niagara Bank offers a special interest rate to students that bank via the school program. If you already had an account set up at Jansen/Warren, they will be transferred here. Sign up packets will be available at school. (Every 7 deposits the student receives a prize) At the end of the year, a drawing is held and the winner receives a savings bond.
- Reflections: Theme this year is “Beauty is.....” Mrs. Aman to Chair. Please contact her to assist.
- AR (Accelerated Reader): Mrs. Lincort would really like assistance is running the Program. If you have any type of suggestions for reward or motivation for the Program please contact her.

Principal’s Report:

- Thanks for coming and welcome.
- H1N1: Precautions are being communicated to the students and parents. Strongly suggesting that if your child has flu like symptoms, to please keep them at home. (Students can return after 24 hours without a fever without any medicine.)
- Minor Peanut allergies in K-5. All students must wash hands after lunch. Mr. Vivenzio has documentation if you are interested.
- NED Show: discussing having the program visit the schools. Perhaps requesting PTA funds to assist. Details TBD.

Important Dates:

- Fall Fundraiser Begins: 9-22-09
- Open House/Book Fair: 9-23-09 begins at 6:30pm
- School Pictures: 10-14-09
- Fall Bingo night: 11-18-09
- Santa’s Workshop: 12-10-09 6:30pm-8:00pm
- Carnival Night: 3-5-2010
- Science Fair: 3-25-2010
- McDonald’s Night: 4-13-2010 – supports the Scholarship Fund
- Art Show/Book Fair: 4-29-2010
- Wellness Day: May - TBD

Action Items:

- **Kristina Mraz** to establish Popcorn Sale calendar.
- **ALL** – Please review the volunteer opportunities and see where you can help out.

Next Meeting:

October 19th at 6:30pm in Pleasant Avenue School Library