

December Station PTO Meeting

Called to order 9:25 am

Review of November and October minutes Motion to approve Mona Navitsky second by Kathleen McLaughlin approved. November minutes motion to approve Marla Truitt second Mona Navitsky approved.

Treasurer's Report – Presentation of report. Motion to approve Sheila Bhuvia, second Mona Navitsky approved.

Principal's Report – Craig Winkelman – presentation of video about using the SMART Boards. Renovation update to the school board. They approved the concept. Website will have the three main areas of renovation later this week. Beginning to develop a moving plan in preparation for the construction. We just finished mini courses for the fall. They were very successful. We will be making a spring offering. Linda Ryan is the new technical support person for the building. High school sent out an e-mail about the Explore Test. It will take place on January 10th, a Saturday. Seventh grade activity night is this Friday including Station, Prairie and St. Anne's.

President's Report – Barbara Harris – Special Voices cookbooks are available for \$20.00. Early learning center is in the process of getting bids and anticipate breaking ground in May of '09 and opening in 2010. Phone survey of district stated that district is doing well. Station had one of the highest results in the district. January 13th Board of Ed meeting will be recognition of PTOs. Please attend if you can. We are scheduled for a coffee with the board February 10th.

Teacher Liaison – Kathy Hemphel – looking for donations for coats and outerwear for the band. Gently used books are being donated for Giving Day. Preparing a web page for cultural connections to next year's all school read.

Fundraising – Sandy Kraimer – First VP - Email blast sent regarding spring book fair. Looking for a leader for this project. Book fair tentatively scheduled for before spring break around the 11th or 12th. Another mailing for No-Stress will probably go out after the holidays. Spiritwear received the majority of the outstanding items.

Eight Grade Year End – Sandy Kraimer – year end dance is on May 15th. Tickets will be sold during the lunch hours.

Fine Arts – Judy Bruce – Try outs for spring musical will be when the kids get back from Holiday break.

Hospitality – No report

Programs – Shfali Bhuva – looking into a physical programs tying into the gym classes.

Publicity – costume got into the Courier for the play

Staff Appreciation – sending around sign-up for baking at the staff holiday party, 10th, 11th, and 12th of December.

Ski Club – Jerri Broderick – registration went very well, almost 500 kids signed up for the program. The first trip is the 16th of January. Viking is doing a rental program for skis for the season.

Snowflake – There are 40 slots left, 376 signed up. The deadline is tomorrow.

Student Social – seventh grade activity night being held this week. Working on changing to g-mail account.

Newsletter – deadline is January 13th.

Unfinished Business – meal sign-up for Paulina Messina

Teens for Teens – Kathleen McLaughlin – food drive at Jewel in November collecting for an after school program with Hope Alive down in Cabrini Green. A snowboard was donated for the raffle which will fund a bowling party later in the spring. Shop and Share days at Jewel today and tomorrow. Barnes and Noble sale will be this Saturday and we will receive 20% of the proceeds for those who turn in the certificate with their purchase. Use the funds to purchase books for a school in need.

New Business – Six Flags reading program for 6th graders only.

Motion to adjourn – Mona Navitsky, second Helen Sheyka, approved.