

September Station PTO Meeting
Called to order at 9:24 am

Board introduced themselves

Review of the minutes from the May Old/New Board Meeting. Motion to approve Chris Mena, second Helen Sheyka approved.

Principal's Report – Great Back to School Nite many parents attended. Construction was finished this summer. New staff that joined over the summer are doing well. Angela DeMay will be the general ed resource throughout the building for the children. She will be offering support in the area of organization, etc. Special ed teachers will also be in the general education classrooms working with the teachers. The new sound system has been in use already. Encourage the kids to support Teens for Teens in hand with the project Becky Fitzpatrick is working on. We will be having two mini course times of 4 consecutive weeks. There will be a survey done of the kids as to what they are interested in for courses. Meeting Thursday at 10:30 in his office September 11. Concept of adding bus cameras will be added to all bus routes. There is a new on-line bullying form that is ready for use this fall.

Becky Fitzpatrick – She will be working on a service component to the advisory time. Creating a committee to work within the school. Committee members will bring opportunities and help with coordinating. First meeting of the subcommittee will be Wednesday September 10, 12:05pm here at Station. Please contact her with any ideas or suggestions.

Sue Hyde – Teens for Teens- Volunteer organization open to 8th graders. The numbers of participants are growing. Purpose is to get kids to embrace volunteerism in their daily life. Kids meet once a month and engage in an activity once a month.

Kathy Hemphill – Teacher's Rep – Thanks to all who helped at walk-thru. Book fair was a big success, thank you. New reading program through the Chicago Bears "Tales to Tackles".

Treasure's Report – Mary Magro – Report is available for review. We are off to a good start. Motion to approve the budget Chris Mena, second Sandy Kraimer. Approved.

President's Council Report – Smart Boards have arrived for all that were ordered. New website is up and running. Next meeting will have a tutorial on going through the new website. New Stadium is open and very well received. Still working on the sound system. Education foundation gave \$15,000 donation for training on how to use. Working on the Early Learning Center supposed to be open in spring or summer of '09. Foundation has fully funded both author visits this year. First is January 28, 2009, Jody Piccoult's "Nineteen Minutes". Second book is "Doing School" by Denise Clarke Pope. Barrington Area Special Voices deadline for cookbook in September 15, 2008. We need a lot more recipes. Meeting September 16th.

Ecology and Grounds – Helen – Working on the courtyard on Monday between 8 and 12. Would some of the kids from advisory be willing to help out the kids can help bag.

Fine Arts – Auditions for Charlotte’s Web have completed. Cast is chosen and rehearsals have begun. Show will be weekend of October 18th. Fine Arts will be working closely with the entire fine arts staff to help ensure that PTO works with each group.

Hospitality – Vicki Perille – thank you for treats for Parent’s Nite. Heading towards conferences in October.

Directory – Sandy Batliner – data is in and will be ready for production soon. Directory should be ready a little sooner than usual.

Programs – no report

Publicity – meeting will be scheduled with Jeff Arnette. Vision is to celebrate the kids activities and accomplishments within Station.

School Board Rep – looking for rep

Staff Appreciation – Anna Huber – Welcomed staff with Hershey bars. Working with Hospitality to coordinate.

Welcoming – no report. Coffee well attended

Book Fair – Sandy Kraimer - \$6500 worth of books. \$1500 profit. Split profit between cash and books. Donated \$375 worth of books to the teachers. First time to try and use a teacher wish list. Loose change collection for Teens 4 Teens. Were able to purchase \$540.00 worth of books. Thank you to staff and volunteers.

No-Stress – table set up at school to begin promoting. We need a total of 39. Installation would be next summer.

School Pack – distribution went well. Distributed 500 school packs.

Sweat Sales – gross sales \$10,600. profit of \$2500. Placing orders today from walk-thru and back to school nite.

Ski Club – Mona Navitsky – Registration November 12th.

Student Social – Thelma Condon – Looking for ideas for socials.

Volunteer Coordinator – Thank Amy Hoffman for being coordinator

Newsletter – Deadline is tonight

Secretary – please pick up your committee cds.

Croc charm sales 26 charms and 9 bracelets.
Sold 26 flash drives.

More information available for Fiesta Fundraiser

Motion to adjourn Sue Kudla, second by Mona Navitsky. Approved.