

PTO BOARD MEETING

2006-2007

January 9, 2007

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members: Mona Navitsky, Christine Bruner, Cynthia Verbinski, Jan Romenesko, Denise Rouse, Debbie Owen, Mary Gerak, Sue Padula, Jonna Calamari, Karen Poglitsch, Chrissie Mena, Cathy Wloch, Sandy Kraimer, Deb Argianas, Vicki Perille, Thelma Condon

Guests: Helen Sheyka, Amanda Niro

Teacher Liaison: Anita Roche

The board meeting was called to order by President Denise Rouse at 9:20 AM.

Mary Gerak moved to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2006 meeting as modified. The motion was seconded by Cynthia Verbinski and passed by acclamation.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Jonna presented the budget versus actual report through January 8th, 2007 . No categories had significant variances when compared with budgeted amounts. Jonna also presented a forecast calculating how much we will have available for wish list items. The forecast assumed an additional \$4,000 collected from our No-Stress Fundraiser. This resulted in just over \$11,000 for wish list items. Sandy Kraimer made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Debbie Owen seconded the motion which passed by acclamation.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Denise introduced Amy Suessen , one of the staff members in charge of the Snow Flake program this year. She spoke briefly about the upcoming program which will be held on Wednesday January 31st. There has been an excellent response to the program. In fact, they had to close the registrations due to a lack of space. With the full capacity enrollment, they are looking for volunteers to help with the program. We passed around a sign up sheet and agreed that an alpha web, requesting help would be a good approach to get the additional volunteers.

TEACHER'S LIAISON REPORT

Anita Roche reported that the staff appreciation committee has been busy planning many wonderful treats for the staff. During December, they organized a raffle with some wonderful prizes for the staff, including time at the Bed and Breakfast in Barrington, Spa Services and many more. Many staff have expressed their gratitude for the time and effort put forth by this committee. It was agreed that we would list those local businesses that donated to the raffle in the next newsletter.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Sue reported that she had met with Mrs. Rankhorn in an attempt to come up with a policy for dealing with Outreach dollars for the various PTO events. Their conclusion was that each committee should contact her **before** their event is finalized so as to agree on how processing for students receiving Outreach support should be handled.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Dr. Winkelman was called to a special meeting. Therefore no report was made.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

No Stress Fundraiser

The No Stress Fundraiser Committee reported that they have collected \$19,800. This is very close to the goal of over \$20,000. Only 196 families have participated to date.

Student Social

The fall social event at the movie theatre only drew about 50 students. A different event will most likely be pursued next year. The next event will be an outing to Gameworks in Schaumburg. This event will take place on Thursday, March 8th after school. There is no school the next day for the students. Details will be announced at school and tickets will be sold during the lunch hours.

The 7th grade social is going to be held March 2nd. It will be at Station from 7:30-9:30. The cost will be \$5. They are planning to have a DJ as well as activities in the gym.

Newsletter

Cynthia reminded everyone to turn in their articles today for the February newsletter. To date she has received very few articles.

Book Fair

Sandy reported that they are considering a special event with Barnes and Noble in the spring. More details will be reported at a later date.

Welcoming Committee

The committee agreed to work with the counselors to be certain that new families that join Station during the year are greeted and introduced to PTO programs on a timely basis. This will include encouragement to attend the next Principal's Coffee.

Sweat Sales

The committee announced that they are considering changing vendors and having a spring merchandise sale.

Ski Club

Although the ski trip had to be cancelled this week due to a lack of snow, everyone is hopeful that the all day trip later this month will still be on. They are optimistic since it is further north in Wisconsin.

OLD BUSINESS:

Denise announced that the Station students contributed in many ways to the Barrington Area Giving Day in December. Over 5,000 books were donated by Station students.

Denise also reported that the School Board is in the process of deciding what if anything should be put on the ballot this spring. They are currently thinking about going back to the 6-8 model and just adding one new middle school at this time. Anyone interested in sharing their views or learning more should plan on attending the meeting on January 23. The Board plans to work on finalizing the question for the referendum at that time.

NEW BUSINESS:

The special services department has requested \$150 to provide treats and beverages as well as some Station specific items during their open house for elementary school staff. A motion was made by Christine Bruner and seconded by Mona Navitsky to approve the funding of this wish list item. The motion passed by acclamation.

Deb Argianas motioned to adjourn the meeting. Debbie Owen seconded the motion. It passed by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Romenesko
PTO Secretary