

## PTO BOARD MEETING

2006-2007

October 3, 2006

### ATTENDANCE:

**Board Members:** Karen Poglitsch, Mona Navitsky, Christine Bruner, Cynthia Verbinski, Jan Romensko, Denise Rouse, Sandy Kraimer, Karen Brda, Sue Kudla, Betsy Diamond, Debbie Owen, Mary Gerak, Terri Moore, Cheryl Gidley, Sandy Batliner, Julia Monie, Cindi Kahn, Heidi Schmeling, Sue Padula, Jonna Calamari, Chrissie Mena, Mary Ann Burns, Laura Miller, Barb Strauss, Debbie Argianas, Jennifer Blum, Judy Bruce,  
**Guests:** Helen Sheyka, Amanda Niro, Mary Magro, Colleen Kipferl, Michelle Wuertz, Melissa Buckley, C. Hinkle, Ly Schneider  
**Principal:** Craig Winkelman

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

Mona Navitsky moved to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2006 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mary Gerak and passed by acclamation.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Denise announced that Barrington Youth Services is having an eBay fund raiser. Yellow flyers with details were available at the meeting and are on the information table in the front of the school.

Denise also reported that the PTO Newsletter will be out shortly. There have been some difficulties getting the system working this fall. But, everything should be worked out before the next newsletter is due out.

Next, Mary Herrmann, District 220 Superintendent, updated us on the two components of the November 7<sup>th</sup> referendum. Information on them is available on the District 220 website. ( [www.cusd220.org](http://www.cusd220.org) ) She specifically focused on how the referendums will effect the high school.

Next, Christine Bruner made a motion to briefly adjourn our meeting. This motion was seconded by Sue Kudla and passed by acclamation. After the adjournment, Melissa Buckley talked about what is being done to help get voters out to the polls on November 7. Anyone able to help with phone calls should contact Chuck Calamari. Also, more information on what this group is doing is available on their website, [www.yes220.org](http://www.yes220.org) .

Denise reconvened our meeting after this presentation.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Jonna presented the budget versus actual report through September 30. Sweat Sales and School Packs are the two areas with the most activity to date. Mona Navitsky made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Chrissie Mena seconded the motion which passed by acclamation.

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

First of all, Dr. Winkelman pointed out immediate reasons that we need this referendum to pass. There are many maintenance issues, including roof leaks in numerous classrooms and work on the gymnasium, that have been put off in order to consolidate them with other work on the school.

Dr. Winkelman reported that all staff will be part of a School Safety Meeting. Safety procedures will be reviewed including lock down procedures. Also, all class rosters will be brought current and will be on file in the office. The police department will be doing a walk through of the building as well. He also reported that the new security system will be up and running later this week. Identification badges for PTO Board Members will be made before and after (time permitting) our November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Dr. Winkelman reported that this month's character attribute is responsibility. There will be a PTO sponsored assembly on this attribute on Thursday of this week. Also, there will be activities led by the counselors during advisory throughout the month.

Lastly, Dr. Winkelman reminded everyone that the conferences on Wednesday, October 17, will be arena style from 4 pm until 8 pm. Thursday conference will be the traditional style from 12pm until 3pm and 4pm until 7pm.

### **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Heidi reported that the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade socials will be held on January 12<sup>th</sup> and December 8<sup>th</sup> respectively. A volunteer is still needed to help coordinate the 8<sup>th</sup> grade social.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **No Stress Fundraiser**

The No Stress Fundraiser Request will be mailed out later this week.

#### **Newsletter**

Cynthia reported that the newsletter deadline is today. She said the newsletter will be available electronically by the middle of the month this time. However, hardcopies will not be delivered until the end of the month. She asked everyone to plan their articles according to these release dates.

### **Book Fair**

The Book Fair will be October 16-19. The book fair will be open during teacher conferences again this year. The committee is still looking for a few more raffle prizes. Anyone who buys a book or donates a book will be eligible for a raffle ticket.

### **Directory**

The directory should be distributed by the end of the month.

### **Ski Club**

Mona announced the registration dates for ski club this year. They are:

Nov. 2	6th Grade & All new participants	7:00	Prairie Middle School
Nov. 8	Open Registration	7:00	Prairie Middle School
Nov. 14	Open Registration	7:00	Prairie Middle School

The fee this year is \$100. The late fee charged by the Park District is increasing also.

### **OLD BUSINESS: None**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Jennifer Blum summarized an etiquette/dance program that she is interested in starting up for middle school students. She hopes to offer it to both Prairie and Station students and is hopeful she will get enough participation to cover the cost. Due to the lack of an adequate sound system in the Station gym, she is looking into holding it at Prairie. At this point she was trying to get a sense of how much interest there would be in the program.

Mona Navitsky motioned to adjourn the meeting. Debbie Owen seconded the motion. It passed by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Romenesko  
PTO Secretary