

Glebe PTA Meeting Minutes
December 12, 2011

Present: Beth Connelie, Trisha Bobowski, Bobbi Jo Haverly, Paula Salatel, Wendy Pedersen, Lisa Sear, Eric Houser, Misty Houser, Siobhan Wood, Virginia D'Amore, Chris Clizbe, Angie Clizbe, Sandy Vosburgh, Christine Krempa, Dan Carroll

Co-Presidents (Eric and Misty Houser):

- Meeting was called to order 6:34pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Paula Salatel approved November meeting minutes, Christine Krempa seconded.
- Going forward, we will attempt to hold meetings to a one hour time frame, with a 10 minute discussion limit.

Mr Jim Westman (Instructional Technology):

- Mimiovotes Presentation. This system allows teachers to take attendance and give tests electronically. Students answer with remotes. Cost: \$1699 for a 24 remote set, \$1899 for a 32 remote set.

Treasurer's Report (Bobbi Jo Haverly):

- Please note the following highlighted items:
 - The difference in the NED Show deposit and the actual check written was \$30.
 - The deposit for the school store was short \$25. A School Store Box was created to avoid using petty cash. The \$25 short from the deposit was left in this box.
 - Crafters do not have all the reimbursement requests in from Santa's Workshop.
 - Scholastic has not been paid yet for the December Book Fair.
- An amendment has been worked on with Kim Kortz. The highlighted items are key fundraisers that will effect our spending.
- Lisa Sear motioned to accept, Dan Carroll seconded.

Corresponding Secretary (Eric Houser for Jamie Tallon)

- A thank you from Lisa Wager for the classroom expense reimbursement.
- A thank you from Lynne Kortz for the support and help with the December Book Fair. Also, thanking Paula Salatel, Chris Gerlach, Jessica Bump and Melissa Hansen for their help.

Fundraising Report (Kim Kortz):

- No report.

Central Council (Christine Krempa):

- Central Council is looking for someone to chair the 6th grade dance.

Teacher Representatives (Sandy Vosburgh):

- Nothing to report.
- Bobbi Jo asked if all reimbursement receipts can be handed in by the end of the month.

Principal's Report (Dan Carroll):

- Thank you to Virginia D'Amore for chairing Santa's workshop. The children had a blast, the gym was full and is a nice tradition.

SDM (Dan Carroll):

- The team was updated on the anti-bullying program offered by HFM BOCES. A parent night associated with this program is in the works. Discussion included offering the Parent Night during the Winter Dance since parents are required to attend the Winter Dance with their child.
- One goal of SDM is to increase our free and reduced lunch paperwork rate of return. Currently we

only receive about 25% of those forms returned to the school, because many families assume they don't qualify. The 25% of returned forms puts us at the 35% mark of the Title One funding and gives us "Parent Involvement Funding". Dan would like to use that money for the AR Enterprise subscription annual fee. If we get to the 40% mark (an additional 15 or so of qualified students), that gives us full Title One access. Full Title One access will provide an increase in funding to be used for technology based purchases. The reduced and free lunch form will be re-sent home in the beginning of the calendar year in hopes that additional children will return the forms.

- SDM is continuing their planning for Health and Wellness Day in March. Valentine's Day parties will be focused more on healthy snacks.
- Lunch With the Principal. Dan apologized for previously misrepresenting the SDM guidelines with regard to who may attend Lunch with the Principal. The SDM minutes were reviewed. Every child with a Panther Point for that month is eligible to put their name in the drawing. Lunch with the Principal is to be a lottery of those who earn points and should not automatically be given to the child with the most points.

Accelerated Reader (Virginia D'Amore):

- Last month's AR Night was well attended with about 48 children
- No AR Night in December
- With the recent issues with the AR computer program, Siobhan Wood applauds progression forward on the AR Enterprise Program.
- Last month the PTA approved the AR Enterprise Program if it was approved by the committee. Dan checked in with the committee and we're moving forward.

Reflections (Misty for Jamie Tallon):

- Showcase went well.
- There were 10-12 participants
- 3 went on to regional

Winter Dance Committee

- Trish Bobowski will chair this event
- A volunteer sign-up sheet was passed around
- the dance will be held February 10th, 2012

Notes:

- Glebe Winter Concert - December 13, 2012
- No AR Night or Central Council in December
- No School: December 24, 2011 - January 2, 2012
- Lunch with the Principal: January 6, 2012
- Bingo Night: Friday January 6, 2012
 - Snow date: Friday January 13, 2012
 - Food drive considered as admission
- Next PTA Meeting: Monday, January 9, 2012 at 6:30pm
- Eric Houser thanked Mrs. Wood and Mrs. Quinn for wrapping gifts during the Santa's Workshop.
- Eric Houser thanked Virginia D'Amore for chairing Glebe's Holiday Parade float.

Virginia D'Amore motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 pm. Lisa Sear seconded.