

Pleasant Avenue PTA Meeting Minutes

Date: June 8, 2010

Attendees:

Kristina Mraz – Y	Deb Ammann – Y	Quinn Swartwout – N
Elena Willett - Y	Gina Hadcock – N	Michelle Heroth – Y
Rachel Truckenmiller – Y	Monica Poitras – Y	Lisa VanAernam - N

Additional Participants:

Vanessa Sheppard	Jen Sponnoble	Caroline Wagner
Patricia Iago	Barb Fisher	Christine LaMori
Heidi Norris	Nadeen Rizzo	Jill Richardson

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept – Barb Fisher and Deb Ammann

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept – Monica Poitras and Elena Willett

Committee Reports:

- Installation Dinner June 17 at Winner's Circle. 6:00 "Gathering" and 6:30 Dinner. Please contact Pleasant Avenue Office to sign up if interested in attending.

Central Council:

- Nature Trail – Contacted EJ Maye regarding bridges and other wish list items. Terrific community support. Doodle will be sent out for available dates will be sent to SDM Committee. Final date of event will be communicated. Suggestion to contact the Chamber of Commerce for the Grand Opening.

Popcorn Sales:

- Feedback is that this is wonderful event! Teachers have been very appreciative and put the funds to good use (ie apply funds to offset costs for field trips.)

Fundraiser:

- Decisions made for vendors and items for next year. Lisa VanAernam will continue to Chair.

Box Tops/Tools for Schools/Campbells/Hannaford/Ink Cartridges:

- Box Tops – Mrs. Rizzo will be submitting them. Winning Class will get an Ice Cream Party. Donated by Washburns.

Old/New Business:

- AR was a successful event. Keep an eye out for various permission slips for your child to potentially attend a celebration event. As the chairperson next year, Kristina Mraz will continue to pursue web based program. She will be working in conjunction with other schools and the vendor that administers the program for options. Guidelines will be established. There is a lot of enthusiasm towards the program for next year.
- Wellness Day is all set and ready to go!
- 6th Grade Dance was a huge success.
- Track Day was fantastic! Ribbon count will be communicated. Our students did outstanding! We are proud of all that participated.
- Just Scoop It Celebration is next Friday. Kathy Smith has generously donated some great surprises for the students.
- Yearbook – M&M will help us finish out the project this year.
- Teacher Luncheon – Gina Hadcock and Chris LaMori to Chair. Will be contacting people for assistance.

- Officer positions – Voted:
 - President: Elena Willett (Motion to have one President vs. Co- was accepted and allowable within By-law guidelines.)
 - Vice President: Karen Miller
 - Treasurer: Monica Poitras
 - Secretary: Open
 - Central Council: Lisa VanAernam (remaining in position)

Thank you to those leaving their current posts.

- Kindergarten Graduation: Question from concerned parent – Why isn't the Kindergarten class having a graduation/Q&U wedding?
 - Response: There was a situation last year that caused the event to receive some negative attention. In order to diffuse any future misunderstanding the decision is to not continue with the activity.
 - Many parents would like the Moving up Ceremony to continue. Mr. Vivenzio will discuss with the teachers. PTA has offered their assistance for preparation should decision be reversed.
- Singletons: Comment from parent: Potential for Singleton Classes for First and Second Grade next year. Some students may change schools. There will be some shifts in staff to accommodate. Details TBD.

Principal's Report:

- School Report card review for the ELA and Math scores. Full results should be on District Website.

Action Items:

- HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!

Thank you to everyone for a wonderful school year. The smiles on the children's faces make all our efforts worthwhile.

Next Meeting: September 14th at 6:30pm in Pleasant Avenue School Library