

HANCE PTO MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2008

ATTENDEES

Emily Willard	Wendy McCarthy
Nikki Woodrow	Michelle Gierl
Nancy Colamarino	Suzie Schietroma
Cindy Walpole	Tina Fletcher
Judy Smith	

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. President's Report –Emily Willard – she thanked Mr. Cooper and the teachers for being in attendance.
- B. Principal's Report – Dr. Psych - 5th grade PSSA writing exams will be next week. All students will be writing persuasive letters in preparation for these. Kindergarten registration will be held on 2/25. Jump Rope for Heart will take place on 2/22 and 2/18 will be an in-service day. K-3 planning process continues. The bus issue is close to being resolved as well as the staffing. The Central Office Administration meeting needs to take place first and then the staff will be addressed as to what the staffing will be for next year.
- C. Vice President's Report
- D. Secretary's Report – Minutes from January 2008 were reviewed. A change was noted as to the number of students that will be enrolled at Hance next year. The minutes were approved with this change.
- E. Treasurer's Report – Committee chairs were reminded to make sure checks are being made out to Hance PTO before sending them to the Treasurer.

II. SPEAKERS

- A. Mr. Cooper, Mrs. Dena King – Richland Elementary, Mrs. Colleen Todd – Wexford Elementary and Mrs. Lisa Tiller – Hance Elementary were in attendance. The teachers gave a presentation on the smart boards that will be used throughout Eden Hall and in many classrooms in the elementary schools.

III. COMMITTEES

- A. Jump Rope for Heart – 2/22; fun activities are being planned; Dr. Psych will be jumping rope this year also; a lot of heart healthy information will be given to the children.
- B. Fun Fair – 3/1; Volunteers are needed; no classrooms are being used, but the rest of the school will be.
- C. Book Fair – 2/25; will be open during the Fun Fair this year.
- D. FFF – Inside/Out Day – 2/8.
- E. Popcorn Dayz – 2/8.
- F. After School Program – programs begin 2/15.
- G. Friday Flash – The Valentine's Day babysitting link was not working. It is fixed now so people can retry it.

- H. Teacher/Staff Appreciation Lunch – No date has been set; a Chairperson is needed; it occurs the beginning of May.
- I. Assembly – 3/12; CLO will be conducting a musical about inventions that started in Pittsburgh.
- J. Author’s Week – Dinosaur theme; will occur sometime in April.
- K. 5th Grade Snow Tubing – 2/15.
- L. 5th Grade Fun Night – 3/7 at Hance.
- M. End of Year Picnic – 5/15 with 5/19 as a rain date; lunch provided to students.
- N. 3rd/4th Grade Celebrations – 5/15
- O. PTO Thank You Brunch – 4/10; will be confirming committee chairs for the next school year.

IV. DISCUSSION/VOTING

- A. There will be a PTO Office for the 2008/2009 school year.
- B. K-3 meeting – will be voting next month on committees
- C. Kindergarten registration – 2/25; there will not be a PTO table this year
- D. PR 50th Anniversary Celebration – 3/26
- E. Valentine’s Day Parties – 2/14; remember a healthy snack.
- F. UES Eden Hall PTO meeting – 2/21 at 9:30 am in the Spirit Room; there was very good attendance at the last meeting.
- G. Hance PTO Open Board Positions – Co-President and Treasurer.
- H. Eagle Scout Project – a former Hance student is doing his Eagle Scout project on the Hance Habitat which will be overseen by Mrs. Lokay. The project is expected to cost \$2200 and he has raised \$450. He asked the PTO for a donation. It was voted on to give him \$500 and it was approved.