

HANCE PTO MINUTES  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2006

ATTENDEES

Sharon Marfisi	Emily Williard
Michelle Schonbachler	Michelle Gierl
Brenda Stasko	Ginny Setterini
Laurel Anderson	Kitt Starr
Lisa Mroz	Tracy Reich
Nancy Buszinski	Nikki Woodrow
Linda Honeywill	

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. President's Report – Sharon Marfisi/Emily Williard  
Sharon welcomed everyone and noted how appreciative they were of everyone's hard work.
- B. Principal's Report – Dr. Pysch noted that the school is ready for Grandparent/Grandfriend day. He reported that the school has been busy with testing the previous weeks, such as Dibbles and the SATs. The budget for the 2007-2008 school year has been completed. Also, as of now, the after school Art program has been cancelled. The school board passed new regulations governing tutoring which makes it difficult for a teacher to have a program and get paid for it. The school is looking into the PTO sponsoring the program. The school is hoping to have the BIZ Mobile program for the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades through a grant. This program teaches responsibility with finances. Dr. Pysch also spoke about the issue with 911 being called last week. A burning smell was noticed in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade corridor. They thought a ballast had blown, but the smell quickly took over the rest of the building and Dr. Pysch was concerned that there could be a fire in the ceiling without the fire alarms going off. He preferred to let the Fire Marshall make that determination to insure the safety of the children, but he was told that he needed to call 911 and not the Fire Marshall directly. Fire trucks came and inspected and found no fire.
- C. Vice President's Report – Michelle Schonbachler – The Homeroom binders are complete and were put in the teachers' boxes today. Volunteers should have gotten their letters of what they signed up for.
- D. Secretary's Report – Michelle Gierl – She asked to have the minutes from September approved. A motion was made by Brenda Stasko, seconded by Tracy Reich and they were approved. Also, thank yous to the PTO that were received were distributed for everyone to see. Most were from teachers thanking the PTO for money donated for supplies for their classrooms.
- E. Treasurer's Report – Brenda Stasko – See Report dated October 12, 2006.

## II. SPEAKERS

- A. Barb Cornibe – Math/Literacy Coach – She gave the background of her experience. She noted the importance of science at a young age. When a child is in need of extra help, she noted that she, Dr. Pysch, Tammy Godino and the child’s parents all work together to find what works best to help the child.

## III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Ice Cream Social – There were less people in attendance than last year, but still a good turnout. The DJ was a good idea and it helped to keep down the large number of children on the playground. It is not meant to make money, but there was a profit of \$190. The yogurt was a crowd pleaser. It was also mentioned that the chairperson position for next year is available if anyone is interested.
- B. Fall Fundraiser – Orders went in today. Delivery is on 11/9; however this is a half day for students due to teacher conferences. Another delivery day may be scheduled due to previous experience of not having a lot of orders picked up. The total bought was \$9775 and the school’s profit is 51% of that. The largest order will receive the CD player and the next largest orders will receive an Ice Age animal. These prizes will be distributed with the orders.
- C. Hance Happenings – Deadline for the next issue will be October 20<sup>th</sup>. Next issue will be October 27<sup>th</sup>. Nikki is going to have information on the Specials and what the children learn in those classes.
- D. Spirit Apparel - \$5000 sold, made \$554. Will most likely do again in the Spring.
- E. Fantastic Fun Friday – November 3<sup>rd</sup> – wear your best picture clothes.
- F. Market Day – Pick up October 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:45 – 5:45 in cafeteria. Trying to earn a free freezer by having 110 orders. Have 75 orders now.
- G. Grandparent/Grandfriend Day – October 13<sup>th</sup> for K-2 and have 300 people attending. October 16<sup>th</sup> for 3-5 and have almost 300 attending.
- H. Book Fair – October 23-27 during library time and Open House. Have 16 people yet to hear from to volunteer. Most help is needed during Open House. Mr. Boyd made a display in the window that is wonderful.
- I. Popcorn Committee – Went very well. Will have on Fantastic Fun Fridays.
- J. Yearbook – Recently had a meeting with Lifetouch. They are trying to come up with some new and fun ideas for this year.
- K. School Pictures – will be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. They have enough volunteers.
- L. Outreach – This will be held the week of November 13-17 with the children being asked to bring in food items to help people with their Thanksgiving dinners.
- M. Birthday Board – located in the cafeteria. The Kindergarten one is located in the Kindergarten wing.
- N. Holiday Shop – Items are still being bought for the shop.
- O. Campbell’s Labels – front labels are only being taken until December. If you have any, please drop them off at the school.

#### IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Open House – October 24<sup>th</sup> (K & 3), October 25<sup>th</sup> (2 & 4) and October 26<sup>th</sup> (1 & 5). It will run from 6:00 – 7:00.
- B. Halloween Parties – October 31<sup>st</sup>. Times were given. Parade at 1:40 pm.
- C. Popcorn Dayz – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month and the cost is 25 cents.

#### V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Walk for Diabetes – raised \$4500
- B. Spirit Week – raised \$320 that will be used to purchase Giant Eagle certificated to be donated with our November outreach Thanksgiving meal.
- C. United States Map on Playground – was started this week and it looks great.

#### VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Directories have been distributed. For questions, see Sabrina George. Winners of the sales contest were: Mrs. Sever AM Kindergarten; Mrs. Hoffman (1<sup>st</sup>); Miss McCoid (2<sup>nd</sup>); Mrs. Juliano (3<sup>rd</sup>); Mrs. Lokay (4<sup>th</sup>) and Mrs. Byers (5<sup>th</sup>). There are extras.
- B. Next HPTO meeting – Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 in the library – Guest speaker Dr. Manley.
- C. End of 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks – October 26<sup>th</sup>, report cards issued November

#### VII. OPEN DISCUSSION

- A. Terry Wentz spoke to the PTO about the Mileage Club Program that was able to be started due to a \$1000 grant. It is a program for the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades and there is about 75% participation. There is a reward system associated with the program where the children can earn a t-shirt. She asked if the PTO would consider purchasing an Iron on Transfer Machine. This machine could also be used for the Science Olympiad and for making pillows in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. She distributed some information on a few different models and the prices ranged from \$499 - \$1200.